Israeli planes **kill** 100 civilians, says Lebanon

Israel sent waves of warplanes to bomb targets in southern Lebanon yesterday. At least 100 civilians died in the raids which levelled two villages. Israel said the air assault-against terrorist targets only-was a reprisal for rocket attacks on a coastal town.

Revenge raids after rocket attacks

From Marrine Howe Beirut, Nov 9 Israeli warplanes wined out

two villages, killing at least 100 civilians, during massive bomb-

The air raids also hit three Palestinian refugee camps and the port city of Tyre, killing many civilians and causing widespread damage. Only three Palestinian commandos were killed in the operation, accord-ing to official Palestinian

Mr Fuad Butros, the Leban-ese Foreign Minister, in a national television address, strongly deplored the Israeli "aggression" and said that Lebanon was doing everything possible to deal with the situa-

President Elias Sarkis met Mr Richard Parker, the United States Ambassador, apparently in an attempt to enlist American help to reactivate the cease-tire in southern Lebanon.

United States embassies in Beirut, Damascus and Tel Aviv had been instrumental in arranging the ceasefire, which went into effect on September 25 in the Israeli-Lebanese border area and was broken by an artiliery duel last weekend between Israeli-backed Lebanese Christians and Polestinian-Lebenese leftist forces.

Western diplomatic sources here generally believed the Israeli air raids were deliberate

overreaction to wto Palestinian rocket attacks on the Israeli resort of Nahariyya, in which three Israelis were killed.

However, Lebanese ruling circles considered that the Israeli action was aimed at undermining efforts of President Sarkis and President Assad of Syria and the Palestinian of Syria and the Palestinian Liberation Organization to reach a settlement on the Palestinian presence in the Israeli border

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Lebanese officials said that 13 civilians were killed in Tyre 13 civilians were killed in Tyre and two more in Nabatiyeb.

The Palestinian news agency amanuaced that a squadron of Israeli Phantoms bumbarded the Palestinian refugee camps of Borj al-Shamali, Rasbidiyeh and al-Bass in the Tyre area. Witnesses said that at least 30 bodies were removed fro make rubble in Borj al-Shamali and it was believed there were just as many dead in the al-Bass camp.

Most of the victims of the bombing have been identified as Lebanese Shia muslims, who have not been involved generally in the fighting in the south.

The Palestinian reaction to the attack was immediate. In-dependent reports from the south said they began moving reinforcements and additional arms into the area around Tyre.

New York Times News Ser-

Moshe Brilliant writes from Tel Aviv: Israel for the first time in nearly two years sent waves of warplanes across the Lebanes border this morning to bomb what was described as Palestinian terrorist camps and training bases for more than an hour. Lieutenant-General Mordechai Gur, the Chief of Staff, said the target was the area from which terrorists vesterday and Sun-day launched 122 rockets which killed three Israelis in the seaside town of Nahariyya, six miles from the border.

General Gur said unequivoc-ally that the Syrians in Lebanon had the power to prevent such attacks, even though their peacekeeping force could not move south of the Latani River because of Igraeli chiections

because of Israeli objections.

The Israel bombing target this morning was a six-mile wide coastal belt between Rachidiye, terrorists bur no civilians, Leba agency.

The village of Azziyah and a righbouring hamler five miles north of the Israeli border were completely razed, according to lific at sources. Forty-five bidies have been recovered, all ferrorists but no civilians, Lebanese or Syrian military personnel in the area. Most of the southern Lebanon were in refugee camps and these were not attacked, he said.

Power men in disarray over what to do next

By Christopher Thomas
Labour Reporter
The power workers' unofficial action was in disarray last night as a call weat out from the militant Yorkshire area for a national strike in a last effort to prevent the dispute from crumbling.
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to prevent the dispute from crumbling.

The severest blow to the leaders of the action, centred on the big south Yorkshire stations that form the oucleus of Britain's power supply, came as the West Button station in Nottinghamshire, Europe's biggest, voted to work normally.

The decision was humiliating for the dispute leaders since the all-out strike call was meant to be in support of two uncarned West Burton workers who were being "aictimized".

But the Central Electricity Generating Board said no one had been singled out at West Burton and, according to one source, it was generally assumed that the two men did not exist.

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A decision on the next step
rests with a meeting tomorrow
of the national unofficial joint shop stewards committee which will be asked to vote on a Yorkshire resolution for a Yorkshire resolution for a national stoppage. It has all the hallmarks of a desparate attempt to regenerate flagging support for an action that has met determined resistance from management and the four manual unions in the industry.

But the stewards received two overwhelming votes of support for strike action last night from Ezgborough and Drax

from Eggborough and Drax stations in Yorkshire. Five hunstations in vorkinite. Five nutdred men at Scotland's largest
power station, Longannet,
voted to continue the strike
they began on Monday. They
will meet today.

Meanwhile six stations forced
to close have been reopened by

engineers and managers. Two of the men's three cou-

ditions for a return to normal working have proved unaccept-able. One, that their demands should be considered in forthcoming negotiations, is no obstacle. But the management will not accept their claim to dispute (the Central Electricity Generating Board stopped payments from Thursday to men who were not working norm-ally). There seems no chance of the unions accepting the shop stewards' demand to be

involved in future bargaining. The Yorkshire stewards, who have led the dispute, are divided on what to do. Their support remains strong locally. and that is where the big stations are centred, but most

other power workers have continued to work as usual.

The Electricity Council is cautiously optimistic that the stewards, in isolation, will soon the stewards in the stewards.

give up their fight.

Mir Michael Barwick, noe of the Yorkshire leaders and secretary of the national shop stewards' committee, said: "If the strike call is accepted and carried out the whole country will be plunged into darkness." The likelihood of that, even it tomorrow's meeting supports the strike call, is extremely

Whip resigns, page 2 Industrial alert, page 19



The Lord Mayor's coach in heavy rain on a City street at 6.30 am yesterday. The six-horse team was rehearsing for Saturday's show.

Mr Rees holds out little hope of wages settlement with firemen

Parliamentary Correspondent
Apart from appealing to the
Fire Brigades Union to think
again about the "disasters and
tragedies" that might result
from the threatened strike, Mr
Rees held out little hope of a settlement as he told the Commons yesterday of the prepara-tions being made by the Gov-ernment, the Armed Services,

ernment, the Armed Services, and local authorities.

He told MPs that it was the Government's duty to protect life and property. Plans had been prepared in cooperation with the Armed Services, and they would be ready to prointo operation on November 14. Emergency fire appliances

were being made available to fire authorities, and Servicemen were being trained to man them. With that help, fire authorities would provide the best possible cover but, he added, with the best that everyone could do, he was under no ilkusion that it would be pos-sible to match the fire cover provided by the regular service. Mr Rees said the con-

sequences of any national fire service strike were incalculable. tive deputy leader, pledged his party's support for any measures the Government measures the Government might think necessary to protect the public. For the Liberals, Mr Pardoe said although withdrawa! of labour by the firemen might literally mean death Mr Rees had no absorption. alternative but to stand firm.

The House must support him in this last-minute appeal to the firemen's better nature, Mr Pardoe said. It was later learnt that there

might be a ministerial broad-cast nearer the time of the strike, to give further guidance on how every man, woman and child could help to minimize the dangers. The Speaker refused an appeal for an emergency debate on the situation, but there were indications that that could be allowed if the

situation worsened.

Although Mr Rees promised that everything possible would be done in the few remaining days to persuade the firemen

to call off the strike he left the House in no doubt that there would be no settlement outside the limits of the Gov ernment's pay guidelines. He said the dangers involved

if the Government allowed a breach of its pay guidelines would be far greater than those of a firemen's strike. In that situation he had a responsibility to the community as a whole.
Guidance, the Home Secretary said, was being issued

through government depart-ments and local authorities. Where there were special areas of risk he had arranged for talks between local authority chief executives, police chiefs, chief fire officers and the local army commanders.
Mr Rees said he did not believe firemen would sit

believe firemen would sit back and watch people die, that was not the fire service he had known for 15 years. But if that was the way it was go-ing to be, he had to take every step to save life.
Gruesome job, page

Government in surplus last month by £63m

forecast at the time of the

been for borrowing from central government by local authorities and a fall in the balances of

in the first seven mouths of this financial year central govern-ment has borrowed £1,951m, compared to £6,859m forecast at the time of the Budget in the spring. The figures for November and subsequent months are likely to be less favourable for the Government because there will subject to agreement with the Inland Revenue, be heavy repayments of income tax to be

year. None the less, the latest esti-mate of £7,500m for total Public None the less, the latest estimate of £7,500m for total Public Sector Borrowing does not seem to be on the low side on the basis of the latest figures. The most important error in

Both direct and indirect tax forecasts have proved too pessimistic. This is made more sur-prising by the fact that most

Continued on page 20, col 3 | she goes into labour.

By David Blake

Central government had a surplus of £63m in October, enabling it to repay some of its debt, because revenue was higher and spending lower than forecast at the time of the

The surplus would have been considerably large: had it not some departments.

The latest figures mean that

met in November, followed by a lower level of receipts of income tax for the rest of the

forecasting the borrowing need of the Government seems to have been on the revenue side. Total Consolidated Fund revenue during the first seven months of the financial year was 16 per cent higher than in the equivalent period in 1976-77, compared to a Budget estimate of only 12 per cent

Object near Saturn may be 10th planet

From John Noble Wilford New York, Nov 9

Astronomers have discovered an object between Saturn and Uranus that is orbiting the Sun. They say it could represent a new class of asteroid or perhaps be the solar system's tenth and smallest planet.

The discovery was announced

The discovery was announced yesterday by Mr Charles Kowal, an astronomer at the Hale Observatories in Pasadena California. He detected the object through the 48in Schmidt telescope on Mount Palomar. Other, astronomers here sub-Other astronomers have sub-sequently confirmed the obser-

sequently confirmed the observation.

Mr Kowal said in a telephone interview that the object "really doesn't resemble anything else we have seen. The object is far beyond the usual region of asteriods, and its orbit and appearance seem unlike that of a comet."

He added: "It does not appear to come close enough to neighbouring planets to be an escaped moon." Because it was so small—100 to 400 miles in diameter, about one-tenth the size of Mercury, the smallest known planet—the object was temporarily being described as a "mini-planet".

Dr Brian Marsden of the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics in Cambridge,

Barvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics in Cambridge, Massachusetts, called the discovery "very unusual and certainly very exciting."

Depending on what the object turns out to be, Dr Marsden said, it could be "the second major exciting discovery in the outer solar system this year." The other was finding that Uranus, like Saturn, is encircled by rings.

When the Uranus rings were first observed last March, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said that they were "the first major structures in the solar system to be found since the discovery of

found since the discovery of the planet Pluto in 1930". Astronomers throughout the world have been alerted to make further observations of the mini-planet so that its probable orbit and other characteristics can be ascer-

tained.
Mr Kowal, who is 37, has many astronomical discoveries to his credit : several comets, the thirteenth moon of Jupiter and another object that may be the fourteenth moon, and 80 supernovas, the brillian:

explosions of dying stars.
On the nights of October 18 and 19 he was surveying the sky, and when he examined photo-graphic plates made in those observations Mr Kowal made his discovery. Using a micro-scope to look for differences in photographs taken on conseculistant background.—Nev Times News Service.

Princess Anne's hospital named

Princess Anne's baby will be born in the private wing at St Mary's Hospital, Praed Street, Paddington, Buckingham Palace

said last night.

The Queen's gynaecologist,
Mr George Pinker, who will
deliver the baby, is a consultant there. The Princess is not
expected to enter hospital until

Togo forewarned of mercenary plot

The Foreign Office confirmed vesterday that Britain had warned Togo of a plot by mercenaries last month to assassinate President Evadema. They are thought to have been led by Britons, but the Foreign Office would not confirm this. Britain does not have a diplo-

matic mission in Lome, the Togolese capital. The Foreign Office spokesman said that Britain had passed on to the President through diplomatic

Office did not have any knowledge of whether mercenaries in Togo had been arrested. According to reports, a first wave of mercenaries planned to assassinate the President and this was to be followed by a second group who intended to maintain order for a few days while a coalition government was established. A report from Hereford yes-

terday said that there was auger among members of the second successful.

group of mercenaries that the Foreign Office had "tipped off" the Togolese Government. They claimed that a serving channels the information it had obtained last month. He also said that the Foreign officer in the Special Air Services (SAS) had been part of their team until he withdrew from the operation two months

They also said that the assassination attempt was to have been financed by a

IRA could increase fire attacks From Christopher Walker

security forces are convinced the Provisional IRA will try to

take advantage of the threat-ened firemen's strike both in Ulster and on the mairland. IRA leaders are understood to have ordered active service units on both sides of the Irish Sea to increase incendiary attacks on shops and other

business premises from the be-As a result, members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, the Army and Scotland Yard have been holding top-level discussions to work out a strategy.

The potential of the IRA's

depleted ranks to cause severe damage with fire-bombs has been demonstrated in many parts of Northern Ireland in Canadian with extensive busi- recent months. More than 400 ness interests in Togo, and they devices have been planted in would have received up to the past 12 weeks, causing \$25,000 each if they had been identified a superior than 12 weeks. ness interests in Togo, and they would have received up to the past 12 weeks. causing \$25,000 each if they had been damage estimated at about \$20m.

Pickets ordered not to interfere with troops By Donald Macintyre is not prepared to sanction any change to the immediate pay

Fire Brigades Union leaders vesterday authorized members to mount peaceful pickers during their strike from Monday but not to interfere with troops brought in to provide fire cover.

A circular sent to all members last night said pickets should aim at dissauding all except Servicemen from trying to do firemen's work. The decision was taken at a meeting of the union's execu-

tive after which Mr Terence Parry, its general secretary, said he did not see any way out or a strike. The employers' offer is for an immediate 10 per cent pay increase, a progressive reduc-tion of the working week from next autumn and continuing

feel very sorry for the troops who will be trying to do our job, because they are not equipped or trained to do it. But, while I cannot say there may not be a few hotheads, the large majority of our mem-bers will observe the executive

Mr Henry Coggins, chairman

of the Merseyside committee of the FBU, said last night: "We

instruction not to interfere with them." The National Association of Fire Officers has already warned Mr Rees that its 4,000 members, who hold the senior posts in fire stations, will not cross picket lines, or fight fires

alongside troops.

But the Chief and Assistant
Chief Fire Officers' Association, which is pursuing its own mula for regulating pay rates.
The firemen want a 30 per cent pay negotiations, made clear pay negotiations, made clear last night that its members rise.

Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, would be crossing picket lines, made clear to the union on "commanding all the resources Tuesday that the Government they could" to preserve life.

US-Soviet summit discussed

Moscow, Nov 9.-President Brezhnev and Mr Malcolm Toon, the American Ambassador, today discussed plans for Soviet-American summit before the end of the year, a reliable source said here.

American diplomats were unusually reserved regarding the meeting, refusing even to say how long it had lasted, but several diplomatic sources said that the date and place for a summit meeting between Mr Brezhnev and President Carter were the main topics.

Tass reported later than Mr Brezhnev had expressed satisfaction to Mr Toon over recent progress in American-Soviet

He also reaffirmed the Soviet desire for stable and constructive development of relations based on equality of rights, mutual advantage and non-interference in each other's affairs, the news agency said. Sources said that the possible Sources said that the possible summit meeting was not incompatible with Mr Carter's post-ponement of a visit to Europe. It could be held at the end of this month or the beginning of December, they said, near the time of Mr Brezhnev's planned visit to Bonn.

They added that it was unlikely that a summit would be celd on either American or territory.—Agence rance-Presse.

No exception to 12-month rule, TUC says

A decision by the TUC economic committee that there can be no exception to the 12-month rule has deatt a blow to the pay hopes of the miners and British Leyland workers. The committee reaffirmed its line in respect of Merchant Naty officers, who had sought to break the policy, but it is firmly expected to act as a yardstick for all other groups of workers

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Dearer bread plea

Mr Jackson Moore, general secretary of the United Road Transport Union, whose members include bread delivery van drivers, has appealed to the Government to block increases of as much as 3p a loaf proposed by the main national bakers

Bread politics, page 21

Carter appeal fails

The latest attempt by President Carter to win support among the public and in Congress for his energy programme has not had the impact intended. His television address differed from recent speeches only to the extent that he toned down criticism of the cil industry.

of the oil industry Rhodesia talks hint

There was speculation that a conference on Rhodesia might be held in Malta, after a hint by Mr Nkomo, the nationalist leader. Field Marshal Lord Carver, the British Resident Commissioner-designate, reports to Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, today on his talks with African leaders Page 5

Democrat elected as New York mayor

Mr Edward Koch, a Democrat was elected as New York's first bachelor mayor for 100 years. His election was one of a number of state and city elections in the United States that gave the Democrats more cause for satisfaction than the Republicans Page 7

Britain angry over cod British trawlermen have been ordered ro-leave the Arctic fishing ground off Norway because EEC cod quoras are exhausted. The British fishermen's claim that they sull have 2,500 tonnes in hand has been rejected by Norway, claiming that French

ressels have already taken the remaining EEC entitlement Page 6 Architects' fee scales Mr Hattersiev, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, is to ask the Director General of Fair Trading to recommend changes in rules governing architects' and surveyors' fee scales. His intervention coincides with the publication

of reports on such scales by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission Page 4

Government victory The Government gained an easy victoriby 299 votes to 272, a majority of 27, at the end of the five-day debate on its programme for the new session of Parliament outlined in the Ocean's Speech

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Tories to vote against devolution

By Fred Emery Political Editor Anti-devolution

attitudes seemed to be hardening again at Westminster yesterday as two of the 13 Liberals indicated that they would vote against the Government in key votes next Wednesday. The Shadow Cabinet, as expected, decided to issue a three-line whip to members to vote against both the guillotine and the second reading. That will cause anguish to the handful of Tories committed to devolu-

The six Ulster Unionists indicated that they would vote against the Government in the "guillatine" motion on the Scotland Bill which, if the Bills are not to be filibustered to death, is critical for the Government's success. At least five other Northern Ireland MPs are expected to oppose with the proviso that "something dramatic" in granting Ulster some form of devolution might change their minds. The devolution issue was being discussed by all parties in private meetings at West-

minster as the Government pre-pared to lower the guillotine after only one day for second reading next week. The most critical meeting late lost night was the so-called steering group" of Labour's antidevolutionists.

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Increasing Net Income

High Rate Taxpayers find it difficult to increase their after tax income from investments. Selling capital on a regular basis to meet an income deficit is unsatisfactory as markets fluctuate. Investment bonds can provide a solution to

this problem. They are subject to special tax

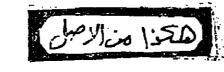
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Car men's pay hopes dashed by TUC stand on 12-month rule

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

TUC leaders confirmed yesterday that there can be no exception to the 12-month rule, in a decision that dashes the pay hopes of miners and Bri-tish Leyland car workers. The TUC economic commit-

tee reaffirmed its line in respect of Merchant Navy officers, who had sought to breach the policy, but it is firmly expected to acr as a yardstick for all other groups of workers.

Chief among them are the miners and 103,000 Leyland workers who voted last week to accept a shift to centralized wage bargaining that included a 10 per cent rise all round a 10 per cent rise all round from November 1. Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, had asked for the TUC's view on the package, which seeks to pur all 34 car plants on a common anniversary date.

The TUC is going through the motions of consulting the Leyland unions on the impart Leyland unions on the impact the 12-month rule on the deal, but senior members of the general council yesterday privately ruled out any exemption. Instead workers will get the Government's permissible rise from the date on which

their phase two settlement The bait of 10 per cent all round, which would have given some workers a rise only three or four months after that last pay boost, helped to get the wage reforms accepted by two to one in a secret shopfloor ballor. But it was denounced by one leading TUC member last night as "bloody inept industrial relations ". Mr Joseph Gormley, presi- throughout the industry.

dent of the National Union of Mineworkers, told the econo-mic committee that if the Leyland pact was approved "I will be back here tomorrow afternoon". His union is officially "seeking to achieve" rises of up to 90 per cent from November 1 in direct conflict with wage policy, but Mr Gormley is firmly supporting the 12-month rule.

The National Coal Board's

response to the miners' claim is being considered by beir leaders today. The board will tell the union that pitmen are nor entitled to any increase before March 1, 1978. It vill seek-and, in the light of yesterdays decision, will evidently get—TUC support for its reliance on the 12-month rule Beyond that, the board intends to stick within the Govern-ment's guidelines, limiting in-creases to 10 per cent. The Merchant Navy officers'

dispute moved nearer solution yesterday when leaders of the four unions in-volved held talks with the volved held talks with the shipping employers on a possible productivity deal on the lines of that agreed with Canadian Pacific Ships.

That deal, which gives rises of 15 to 22 per cent "within the pay policy", is being used as a model for an industry-wide agreement. In the absence of such a pact, the

absence of such a pact, the main union, the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers' Association, is going ahead with a ballor on industrial action. Until yesterday, the shinning explosers had said. shipping employers had said a productivity scheme compatible with wage restraint guidelines

Engineers' walk-out may delay telex messages

don area walked out yesterday in a dispute about a "dirt and discomfort" allowance. Since last week 150 main-

tenance engineers have been idle in support of 28 colleagues dismissed for taking action in support of the allowance for working in a building where extensive renovations were being carried out.

The new days lowness will be the delayers.

The new development will delay the repair, maintenance and installation of telecommunication services and equipment in ports of London. The cover intital stoppage, involving Britais engineers at the St Botolph's calls.

By Our Labour Staff international exchange in More than 1,600 Post Office engineering staff in the London area walked our yesterday may become increasingly liable to delay. Areas of congestion are being reported because faulty equipment is not being repaired.

by the delays.

Telex numbers in danger of being affected are those with prefix codes of 80 or 00 which cover about three quarters of Britain's international telex

Archaeological

to be disbanded

Proposals to disband the specialized field archaeology survey section of the Ordnance

Survey are to be implemented

The proposals, reported in The

Approval of proposals to re-deploy on other work the specialized staff who record,

survey and classify archaeologi-cal sites was announced at the Whitley Council meeting yester-day. But Ordnance Survey offi-

cials assured representatives of

the Institution of Professional Civil Servants that the record

system would be maintained and

maintained at the present level until its completion in

about two years.

Cash restrictions have caused

redeployment of the archaeo-logical field surveyors. In

future, sites will have to be notified by local authority archaeological units.

The Ordnance Survey said it was hoped there would be no reduction in the standard of archaeological services. Much of the section's work was duplicating existing work.

Times on October 25, have dis

quieted archaeologists.

surveyors

By Cyril Bainbridge

Membership of drama vetting body defended

By Our Arts Reporter

Britain's main drama schools should be accredited by the National Council for Drama Training in time for the academic year 1979-80.

Mr Michael Barnes, the council's acting secretary, yesterday defended the composition of the board that would decide which schools are to be

Three bodies would be represented; the employers, the there had been criticism from Lord Harewood and colleagues at the London Drama Centre that the public should also be represented. Mr Barnes said the accredita-

tion board would have six members from Equity, the actors' union; six from the employers; the BBC, commercial television contractors, West End theatres, Council of Regional Theatre and the Theatrical Management Association; and six from the drama schools.

Sitting as observers were people from such institutions as the Department of Education and Science, the Arts Council and local authority associations.

By Stewart Tendler Home Affairs Reporter

Many a grown man will admit to a secret twinge of envy at the sight of a fire engine rac-ing to the rescue. Few probably consider the men hanging on inside or what may face them. Heads turned in Forest Gate, east London, on Tuesday night when engine F21 and another

pump answered a call to a ter-race house. The glamour would have been rapidly dis-pelled at the sight of a 55-yearold woman dying after self-immolarion with paraffin. Men of "red watch" based

at Stratford fire station gathered round her as she lay moaning, her body a mess of burns. That did not quite compare with a case of a woman's body exploding in the heat. It lacked the drama of the Moorgate

train disaster or the explosion at Ronan Point, which many of the crew attended. At Moorgate conditions were so bad that the Salvation Army dropped its scruples and served whisky to the firemen.

Tory chiefs

Bur a fireman's day can go the other extreme of utter at some time.

On Tuesday night Mr Clarke man's accommodation, he was in command of an area of the borough of Newham coverlaboration, a dead hudgerigar was in 750,000 people, three hoseign and two children.

Everyone else on the warch was to the other extreme of utter at some time.

mundaneness. On Monday the On Tuesday men helped a housewife who had locked herself out, leaving

food cooking inside. Last week the watch climbed dozens of stairs in tower blocks of council flats to release people trapped in lifts because of the power failures. Last summer they were fighting grass fires night and day. The heat was so intense that a makeshift pool was rigged in the fire station yard into which the men jumped fully clothed.

lot of the public services, they are taken for granted. Between May last year and April this year the London Fire Brigade recorded 3,679 injuries among a fire-fighting strength of 6,500 men. Every one of Mr

red watch spent its time pumping out a sewer, then a public the borough of Newham covering out a sewer, then a public the borough of Newham covering out a dead hudgerigar was in command ot an area of the borough of Newham covering out a dead thousewife who works, a huge freight yard and the industrial properties. His other industrial properties. His responsibilities include 40 tons of nitroglycerine, radioactive material and a timberyard.

Mr Clarke, aged 44, has been a fireman for 23 years and his take-home pay is just under £50 a week. Two of his three children receive free school meals. His immediate boss, London's longest serving fulltime station officer, a fireman for 30 years, takes home about

"The public remembers
Moorgate but a lot of fires and accidents are like Moorgate scale is Leading Fireman Scaled down", Acting Station Officer Reuben Clarke said. He service. His gross pay for a and his men feel that, like a recent calendar month was recent canendar mount was 5385.72. That includes part of an annual £415 London weighr-ing, £45.64 monthly travel allowance, £29.52 overtime at time and a half, and the results of the last two pay rounds. After paying £137.15 in taxa-

paying for a mortgage. Fireman Ronald Fairweather, after serving for four years, recently took home £218. It takes five years to become fully qualified, and then he will receive an additional 3p an hour. There will be another if he stays 15 years in the job. His wife works in a fire compol unit. In a recent month she took home over £250.

The fire control staff appear to be an anomaly of the system. At the other end of the in lieu of housing, they have scale is Leading Fireman Andrew Smith, with 11 years service. His gross retime only if they work on at the end of shift or for public holidays.

Control staff must do over-time as a full shift, and last month the 180 staff in London worked a total of 1,200 hours overtime.

All the men on the red watch

pointed out that they were better off than other brigades because of the London weighting and the fare allowance.

Their money may differ from the rest of the country's but they share the difficulties of a

they share the difficulties of a 48-hour week and the shift system required by staff shortages. This week the watch will have worked from 9 am to 6 pm on Sunday and Monday, from 6 pm to 9 am on Tuesday and Wednesday, had Thursday and Friday off, and returned at 9

am on Sunday.

The system is used by almost all urban brigades. Many men do not go home between night shifts but stay with friends. Between shifts it is not unusual for some firmen to work part at a variety of jobs, al-gh regulations advise though At least one man, with 19

years' service, admitted that he was thinking of leaving the ser-

vice. Others are waiting to see what their dispute will bring. The London membership of the Fire Brigades Union sup-ported a strike ballot at the

The public takes for granted many gruesome tasks faced by fire crews ford's firemen are prepared to go along with next Monday's

Mr Clarke said: "The police have got an inquiry but we had five in 11 years. Over the years they have appealed to our con-sciences but that does not bring a crust of bread. It you go into a shop to buy on hire purchase you feel ashamed to tell them your salary."

"We are asking for the average bloke's wage. We want what a dustman gets." His determination was matched by others. They cannot afford to strike but they cannot afford not to.

Stratford was involved in another dispute recently and two people died. The station received angry telephone calls; letters and bricks were thrown and the men ar prepared for further hostility. They will picket the station but there will be no attempt to stop Servicemen from moving in or using the equipment if they can. Mr Fairweather said: "If the fireman's job was just to squirt water anybody could do it. But it is more than that."

fretting over lack of headway By Fred Emery

Whatever the Government did, however roughly it was faring with industrial disputes, it was, it was complained, treating it

Mr Callaghan baldly per-sisted with his insistence that the average family man was better off in real terms today than in early 1974, no matter how much the Tories thought they confounded him with the truth of the opposite. Mrs Thatcher's colleagues last night contemplated what they considered to be the Government's dunicity and frosted at their duplicity and fretted at their inability to make any political capital or headway.

Take the firemen's strike. The Opposition had to support, as Mr Whitelaw pledged in the House, whatever measures the Government would take to meet the emergency. The Oppo-sition had to show responsi-bility because, well, because it was responsible.

It well knew bow Labour, leading Tories fumed, would behave if they had been in opposition and the Conservaopposition and me tives the Government facing a strike. Yet the Tories could not now retaliate, even though privately some of the Shadow Cabinet believed that the firemen had than did the policemen. The Tories, at their party conference, had specifically and loubly ambred the policement. embraced the remain silent on the firemen. On the European elections Bill, which is being published today, the Shadow Cabinet is believed to have decided to allow its MPs a free vote on the method elections

That is less than it seems. Whereas the few Toris support-ing proportional representation will now be able to let their feelings show without rebellion, it is still expected that the combined cote for the traditional first past the post" method wili prove overwhelming.

a field programme of mapping the British Isles would also be Protest over private beds

The Scottish Joint Consultant's Committee has protested to the Health Services Board over recommendations that all private beds should be with all private bens should be with drawn from five hospitals in Elgin, Nairn, Oban, Brechin and the Isle of Arran.

Dr Andrew Allison, chairman of the committee, has written to the board stating that the

recommendations are a serious erosion of the individual's right Letter, page 17 to private treatment.

Electronic revolution is predicted

By the year 2002, the average British household will average British household wall be connected to an information network capable of providing everything from recipes to the prices and availability of vegetables in shops near by. The family television set will be a terminal for an enormous range of centrally stored information for household use.

Videophones will enable people to see as well as hear their distant friends or rel-ances. The quality of air, laundry, lighting and security alarms will be controlled by programmed mechanisms.

Although a drop in the working weel to between 30 and 35 hours will have increased the interest in cooking as a hobby, the lazy or absent will be able to have their meals prepared by pro-grammed cookers able to select and cook a variety of foods according to preselected according

That is a foretaste of the future provided by 2002: Britain plus 25, a 184-page analysis published today by the non-profitmaking Henley Centre for Forecasting and backed

Devolution may

confidence issue

The Liberals who are main-

taining their opposition are Mr

Richard Wainwright, MP for

Colne Valley, and Mr Grimond,

MP for Orkney and Sherland.

If no more Liberals defect, the

Government, despite its basic

overall minority position, may

support. But it begins to look

more likely that the Govern-

ment might have to treat the issue as one of confidence in

order to whip in the Labour vote although Mr Callaghan has

The government whips have been telling Mr Callaghan that they have it all wrapped up, but a few MPs from all parties

but a few MPs from all parties say they are far too complacent. The whips had been counting on total Liberal support; that is croding. They had been counting on at least abstention by the Ulster MPs, but opposition is certain, according to

Mr James Molyneaux, leader at

Westminster of the Uister

The whips have also been scoffing at the possibility of a

scoffing at the possibility of a Labour revolt. Here they might be more occurate, one Labour hard-liner against devolution concedes reluctantly, his belief that the Scotland Bill at least will carry.

But the position seems

suddenly more volatile. The Labour weavers are reported

to be strengthening again, and some are saying that only a

confidence vote will bring them into the government lobby.

Unionists.

been reluctant to do that.

be taken as

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financially by Rank Xerox (UK).

The five authors of the Increasingly the function of study, who include Mr Michael Shanks, new chairman of the Consumer Council, and Mr James Bellini, who was responsible for the Hudson report, CUK in the 1980s, concede that some politically induced caractly induced caractly induced caractly by technological substitutes. Financial transactions ment of their predictions. But will be almost exclusively electronic, and education too will

Within the home the possibility is envisaged of sitting in a special chair linked to medical scanning equipment, enabling form the individual to obtain a tary print-out of his daily state of and bealth, with recommendations gest.

for action.

Electronics could also replace or supplement paint and wallpaper: bright or subdued

some politically induced cataclysm might disrupt the fulfilment of their predictions. But
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molikely.

Overall, they expect the
quality of life to improve
greatly in the next generation.
By far the most dramatic
changes are foreseen in elecmonics.

Within the home the possible

structure from transfer towards
the robot-controlled

One solution to persistent unemployment might be some form of social as well as mili-tary national service for men and women, the authors sug-As for the falling birth-rate,

aggravated by the continued march of women towards full lace or supplement paint and wallpaper: bright or subdued colour schemes, even moving patterns, could be created by controlled lighting systems, thus reducing the cost of redecoration.

Outside, the journey to work march of women towards full march of women towards full equality, they foressure on childless people between the ages of 25 and 35. There might also be pressure to sanction the widespread production of "test tube" babies.

Government whip resigns in defence of power workers

By Michael Hatfield

Mr Joe Ashton resigned as a government whip last night and spoke in the Commons in defence of the power workers. At the same time Conservatives were demanding the resignation of We Westground Rest Secreof Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secre-tary of State for Energy, whose department is responsible for

he power industry.

Mr Ashton, MP for Bassetlaw, said later that he had told
ministers three weeks ago of
his wish to return to the back power stations had forced him to bring forward the date of his resignation. He regretted suggestions that he was opposed to government policy.

A former parliamentary pri vate secretary to Mr Benn, who was in the Chamber to listen to his speech, Mr Ashton, told the Commons that the country was running into a serious situation because the Electricity Council would not pay for work that had been done.

"The men might be defeated and return to work, bitter, angry and determined at some time in the future to get their

revenge", he said. "For the sake of a few pounds and a few concessions" the council was going to build up a bitterness "which would cost 10, perhaps, 100 times more."

Mr Ashton hoped that someone in the Government could "lean heavily on the bosses" of the nationalized electricity industry, who seemed to have no industrial relations nous, and tell them: "Pay the money." On the opposition side, Mr Tom King, shadow spokesman on energy, with the backing of Mrs Thatcher, tabled an early-day motion last night calling for Mr Benn's resignation.

The motion read: "That this House calls upon the Prime Minister to require the resignation of the Secretary of State for Energy, having regard to the incompetant role he has played in both the miners' productivity ballet and the power workers dispute."

The motion's chances of dehare are slender, for the Opposition has only two supply days in the Commons before Christmas when it can choose the

Mr Benn says

asked about leak By Our Political Editor Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, con-

he was not

veyed to The Times the and No " when select when asked yesterday whether he had been questioned by Commander Roy Habershon in the Scotland Yard inquiry into the Cabinet leak on child The question arose after a curious answer offered in Whitehall to suggestions re-

ported in The Times yesterday from Mr Frank Field, who publicized the leak. Without naming Mr Benn, Mr Field suggested that he stymied the Prime Minister's attempt to have him questioned, along with other ministers, by saying that he would ask Lord Hadsham of St Marylebone to be present as his legal adviser.

On behalf of the Prime Minisable fashion, it was asserted that it was not true that any such (indeed any) representa-tions had been made to No 10 by Mr Benn, or anyone associ there with hint, but it was vest-tured that it was quite possible that Mr Benn had been ques-tioned by Commander Haber-shon, who had been instructed by Mr Callaghan to try to get to the bottom of the affair.

The inquiries proved abortive and were deemed closed by the Prime Minister, although new evidence might cause it to be reopened at any time.

Mr Benn received the ques-tion from The Times, and gave his answer, through Mr Bernard Ingham, his chief press repre-sentative.

Only one form of Lord's Prayer in revised books

The General Synod of the Church of England has rejected a proposal that, in the church's revised forms of Service, the Lord's prayer should be printed in its traditional form alongside whatever modern version of the prayer is finally decided on.

By 171 water to 148 the

votes to 148 synod decided yesterday that only one version of the prayer should be included in the should be included in the series three services incorporated in the Alternative Service Book being prepared to supplement, not supplant, the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. That version will be the trans-lation eventually approved for the series three Holy Commun-

The synod accepted the assurances of the Bishop of Durham, Dr. Habgood, that there was no threat to the traditional form of the Lord's Prayer. "The present permission to use the traditional version in any of the series three services will not be taken away by anything we decide now" by anything we decide now he said.

It was probable, he added that the proposed modern translation would be a revision

close to the traditional form. The modern version now is provisional use addresses "Our Father in Heaven", uses "you" instead of "thou", talks about "sin," not "tres-

of Churches for a national ininative in evangelism and for a national assembly on evange-lism to be held not later than

1980. But it attached conditions making clear that it did not envisage eny unsophisti-cated evangelical crusade. "We have to speak society as it is, not as it was ", the Archbishop of York, Dr Blanch, said. The Church should not be like some Britons abroad, who, when ignorant of the local language, thought the natives would un-

thought the natives would un-derstand if they spoke English loudly. "It is not a question of

saying the old things louder, but of saying the right things in the right language."

The Bishop of Winchester, Dr Taylor, was afraid lest Christians might reach for an evengelical crusade instead of feeing such issues as clean and facing such issues as class and race, industrial disputes and family relationships.

National Land Fund comes under scrutiny By Kenneth Gosling

Future calls likely to be made on the National Land Fund are being studied by an interdepartmental inquiry, in the light of the Mentmore Towers affair, a Treasury official told a Commons select committee

The committee was beginning purposes and operations of the fund, set up in 1946 as " a thankoffering for victory and a war memorial". Its assets are now

Asked by the committee chairman, Mr Arthur Jones. (Daventry, C), about the wideof the fund, Mr J. B. Unwin, Secretary of the Treasury's social services group, said that views had been very mixed.

The chairman pointed out that concern arose because the fund was not being used in accordance with the intentions of those who established it. Mr Unwin replied that it had been used to a much greater extent in the recent past and at present than in previous years. "Our expectation is that over

the next three years payments from the fund will be as great as in the whole of its previous history", he said.

NOON TODAY

Weather forecast and recordings



Today 5.47 am 4.6 pr New moon : Tomorrow Lighting up: 4.49 pm to 6.42 am. Righ water: London Bridge, 12.22 am, 7.3m (23.9ft); 12.42 pm, 7.4m (24.1ft). Avonmouth, 6.10 am, Augn water: London Bridge, 12.22 am, 7.3m (23.9ft); 12.42 pm, 7.4m (24.1ft). Avonmouth; 6.10 am, 13.1m (42.9ft); 6.27 pm, 13.4m (43.9ft). Dover, 9.48 am, 6.8m (22.3ft); 10.14 pm, 6.8m (22.3ft). Hull, 4.45 am, 7.3m (24.0ft); 5.18 pm, 7.4m (24.3ft). Liverpool, 10.4 am, 9.4m (30.8ft); 10.23 pm, 9.5m (31.2ft).

A mild SW airstream persists, with troughs moving across Britain.

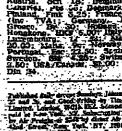
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E, central N, NE England:
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Bright innervals, perhaps some
rain; wind SW, freh; max temp.
14°C (57°F).
W Midlands, SW, NW England,
Wales: Cloudy, rain in places;
wind SW, fresh or strong; max
temp 15°C (59°F).

temp 15°C (53°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, N Ireland: Showery, outbreaks of rain, bright intervals; wind SW strong, gales in exposed places; max-temp 12°C (54°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Mostly cloudy, some rain, chiefly in N and W; mild, becoming less mild.

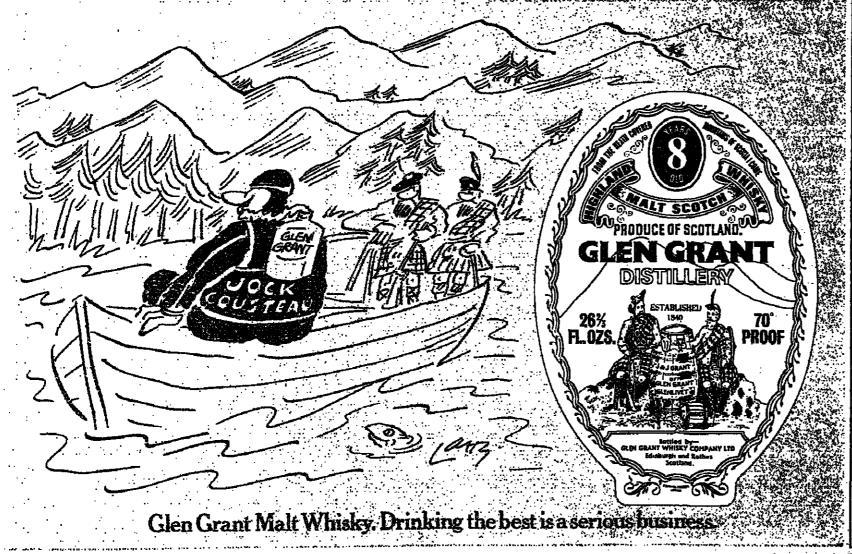


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1,000 millibars=29.53 in. Overseas selling prices

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind SW gale, perhane

Yesterday



By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent Pressure from local authority associations has weakened the new code of guidance to be published on Monday under the Housing (Homeless Persons)

Act.

The final draft, which the code is understood to follow closely, no longer emphasizes the Government's view that bed and breakfast should be used for homeless families only as a last resort, nor does it emphasize as strongly as earlier versions that homeless families must be given permanent accommodation as soon as pos-

Most crucially, the final draft has deleted the statement of principles first made in a 1974 circular which the Government issued to try to persuade local authorities to change their poli-

extreme form of housing need duty to provide accommodation, for any family or individual, which the code makes clear All those who are homeless should usually be permanent, should be helped to secure applies to homeless people who accommodation by advice, by fall into one of the priority preventive action or by the groups specified in the Act and provision of some form of accommodation."

Also excluded is the statement that for priority groups serted in the final stages of the "the issue is not whether, but Bill and has led to the incluby what means, a housing sion of a specific section in the authority should secure that final draft of the code of guidaccommodation is available".

ever, give much greater empha-sis to the importance of accommodation for battered wives and stresses that local housing authorities should be ready to extend the "fullest assistance" to homeless young people who are not specified in the Act as a priority group for whom they are obliged to find

accommodation.

The code will, in effect, be the first government circular to have statutory backing for the new Act provides that local authorities "shell have regard" to guidance issued under it. The Act, which takes effect in England and Wales on December 1, became necessary because more ties failed to implement the 1974 circular.

The main purpose of the Act authorities to change their policies towards the homeless.

The first draft code echoed the circular in saying: "Homeless in transferring responsibility from lessness is almost always the social service departments. That who have not made themselves homeless intentionally.

That last condition was

The final draft does, how- met before a housing authority decides that an applicant is intentionally homeless.

The applicant must have deliberately done, or failed to do, something that has either made him homeless or is likely to force him to leave accommodation. It must have been reasonable for him to continue to occupy that accommodation; and he must have been aware of all the relevant facts.

Thus anyone who deliberately sells his home or gives up a renancy has become homeless intentionally. But anyone obliged to sell because he could not keep up the mortgage re-payments, or one who gets into rent arrears because of real financial difficulties, should not be recorded as deliberately homeless, the draft ays.

A battered woman fleeing ber been driven to leave their accommodotion because of overcrowding, lack of basic ameni-ties or severe emotional stress.

People who get into rent arrears not knowing they are entitled to rent allowances or rebates or other benefits should be regarded as being "unaware of relevant facts ". The Act makes clear that it is for the housing authority

to satisfy themselves whether someone who approaches them

ened with homelessness inten-tionally", the final draft says.
"The onus is not on the applicant to satisfy the authority that he did not do so. . . . Authorities should in any case where there is doubt afford the benefit of the doubt to the applicant."

The final draft explains in

much more detail the priority groups who must be given accommodation once an authority is satisfied that they meet the basic conditions. They are, broadly, families with children battered women, pregnant women, those made homeless by emergencies such as fire, flood or other disasters and people vulnerable because of old age, mental or physical infirmities or other special reasons.

For such groups, housing authorities must secure that accommodation is available If the loss of previous shelter cannot be prevented the auth-

cannot be prevented the authority is required to ensure that some form of accommodation continues to be available for those in priority need.

Accommodation is "available " only if it is big enough to accommodate the engire family, the draft says. "The precise of soliting families is ramily, the draft says. The practice of splitting families is not acceptable, even for short periods. The social cost, personal hardship and long-term damage to children, as well as the expense involved in receivers children into care, rules out as an acceptable

Sir Georg

has high

hopes for

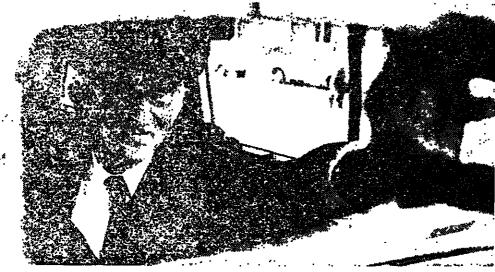
the LPO

By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter

Sir Georg Solti said yesterday that when he takes over as

principal conductor of the London Philharmonic Orchestra in 1979 he will astempt to build

an international orchestra on a par with the Berlin Philhar-



Mr Henry Hall: secrets of a chauffeur in a burry.

A driving force is recognized

Any Russian spy worth his roubles would be wise to concentrate his attentions not only on errant Cabiner ministers and Fhilbys in the Secret Intelli-gence Service but on the splen-did body of men and women who make up the drivers of the government car pool. For the acquisition of gossip and hard information they are in a posi-

Mr Henry Hall, doyen of the car pool, who received the Imperial Service Medal from Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, yesterday, refuses,

Child poverty

under Labour' By Our Social Services Correspondent

The Government is likely to

go into the next election facing the accusation that oil families

have become poorer under Lobour, Mr Frank Field, direc-tor of the Child Poverty

Mr Fie'd, who was criticized

Action Group, said yesterday.

for helping to numble Labour in 1970 by accusing it of mak-

ing the poor poorer, said that, falling a big increase in child

benefits next April, a new cam-paign showing how all families

Since 1974 the index had

families was evident. Families with children had

incomes only marginally

people once the net effects of

tax and benefits were taken

out in tax concessions.

'worse

accept that proposition ("I would stake my life on 90 per cent of the lads here").

Mr Hall, who retired last May, began working life as a groom in the Royal Engineers. Once, when he had a "bull and a cow" (row) with Lord Carrington's detective, about smoking in the car, the policeman threatened to reveal to the Secretary of State his guilty secret. Mr Hall, he maintained, had never lost the babit of grooming only the side of the grooming only the side of the horse upon which the officer mounted. Lord Carrington's side of the car would gleam in the sunlight while the other half was caked with mud.

"Of course, when you are in a hurry you clean only his side of the car. But I always groomed both sides of the oorse; the horse came first.", Mr Hall insisted yesterday. Apart from teaching Lord

Hall provided him with much diversion. "Lord C", or "the man" as Mr Hall calls him, was due to travel from an engagement at Grosvenor House to Madame Tussaud's.

"To the Chamber of Horrors, Hall", he said as he climbed in. Forgetting the original in-struction, Mr Hall drove him to the House of Lords. Lord Carrington dined out on the story Another minister of whom he has fond memories is Mr Mason, now Secretary of State

always telling you about the mines and Barnsley bitter. He used to give black pudding and bitter to the generals at parties. They loved it."

They loved it."

Mr Hall remains beloved in
Whitehall. As Mr Mulley said
at the presentation, it sometimes seemed that Mr Hall, driver, counsellor and friend to the mighty, actually ran the ministry as well. Carrington rhyming slang, Mr

£5m allocated for urgent repairs to waterways

By John Young Planning Reporter

The Government is to allocate £5m to the British Waterways Board for urgently needed repairs and maintenance, Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, told the Commons yesterday. It will form part of the £400m that Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, earmarked for the construction industry in his statement last week.

had become power would be launched. So far the net weekly gain to families of the last two Budgets was only 30p In reply to a question by Mr Kenneth Weetch, Labour MP for Ipswich, Mr Shore said the board had not been able, with-Giving the Questa Rabley Memorial Lecture at South-work College, Mr Field said chikiren thad received only £330m of the £3,500m handed in its available financial resources, to comply fully with its statutory and other obligations. A report released yesterday recommended that about 53m should be spent in the next three years in the interests of risen from 100 to 151 for a single person, to 168 for a mar-rical couple, but to only 145 for a family with four children. Discrimination against public safety.

The reference to public safety must be taken to imply that the Government is seriously concerned about the risk of breaches and consequent flooding from Nineteenth-century canals and reservoirs, which have, at best, received only slight attention.

In the report, by a firm of

£37.300m up to the end of 1977 at 1974 prices (equivalent to annually thereafter, which Mr Shore described as very substantial sums.

arrears of maintenance is the need for bank protection. To avoid erosion and disintegration some form of protective revetment is generally necessary, and half of those reverments require replacement or repair.

A two-year delay to the re-port was due to uncertainty caused by the publication of consultative documents and a White Paper on the reorganiza-tion of the water industry, the Department of the Environment

private consultants, Peter Fraenkel and Partners, arrears maintenance are assessed at about £60m today). Future costs are put at £79m up to 1989 (augin in 1974 terms) and £8.8m

The report observes that by far the largest item in the

The report concludes that there is scope for dealing with two or three times the present volume of freight traffic in craft able to use the present locks. But on cruising waterways there are already signs of congestion in certain places at peak periods and if the present rate of growth continues relief facilities might become neces-

monic the Vicona Philharmonic and the Chicago Symphony. Some people in London might argue that the LPO could already bear such comparison, but when Sir Georg spoke yesterday no one dissented from the proposal that he should repeat in England what he has achieved in America as chief conductor of the Chicago

Sir Georg said there was enough talent in London to create a truly international orchestra but that could be done only if the right conditions were provided for the orchestral musicians, and that meant considerably reducing the pressure

of work on them. He complained bitterly about the conditions; they could go forty or fifty days without a

oay off, which is quite impossible. They worked about 600 sessions a year in London, compared with half that number in Chicago.

Since he did not want to reduce the work at the expense of custing the musicians' in-come there had to be extra funds, which should not be found by doing "not quite first-

class work."

Mr Eric Bravington, the LPO's managing director, said the orchestra bad to keep puming its case to the Arts Council and the Greater London Council for more financial help. Subsidies in Britain were only a tiny proportion of those for the big foreign orchestras, he

Sir Georg added: "I have very good hopes that business support will enable major cultural institutions like the LPO to flourish." He argued that there ought to be tax conces-sions, as in the United States, on charitable donations.

Bernard Haitink, the retir

ing principal conductor will ing principal conductor, will return regularly as guest conductor. Klaus Tennstedt, the German conductor, and Mstislav Rostropovich, the Russian conductor, will also conduct the orchestra for a period each year.

Reforms coming in marriage law

Legislation in the present parliamentary session to reform the matrimonial law adminisremed by magistrates' courts and remove the disadvantages when compared with divorce proceedings in the higher courts was announced by Lord Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chancellor, in the House of Lords yesterday.

The anomalies criticized by the Finer committee would be removed by the new Bill, which would also introduce a number of other reforms intended to increase the range of relief avail-able from magistrates' courts.

Payments 'necessary in Middle East to get sales'

Commission payments to Mr Wellburn was managing secure overseas sales are abso-director of Racal BCC Ltd., of lutely necessary in some Mid. Wembley, which specializes in die East countries, it was electronic and communication stated at the Central Criminal equipment. Mr Nurson was the

Court vesterday.
Sir Lester Suffield, former head of the Ministry of Defence sales organization and

Defence sales organization and formerly with British Leyland, said, however, that there would never be any question of a British company's paying commission to the British Government to further sales.

Licuterant-Colonel David Randel, aged 40, of the Royal Signals, Aldershot; Geoffrey Wellburn, aged 40, of Woodside Road, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire; and Frank Nurdon, aged 60, of Barnet Road, Arkley, Hertfordshire, all deny corruption charges.

E25,000 in bribes to ensure that BCC radio equipment was bought and installed in Chieftain tanks sold to bran.

There had been no suggestion, or hint as far as he knew, of Mr Nurdon or Racal BCC being concerned in anything like that in Britain.

He was not aware of any payments made to officials of foreign countries by the Crown agents, Millbank Technical Services.

The trial continues today.

sales director.

The prosecution allege that Colonel Randel took about £25,000 in bribes to ensure

Fund-matching plan for community cooperatives

From Ronald Faux Inverness

Community cooperatives to inject local industry into the Western Isles are to be encouraged by the Highlands and Islands Development Board. The board announced yester-day that about £100,000 would be available to help people to reap the benefits of their own resources provided they presented soundly based

The kev was the community itself and would involve an investment of time, effort and locally and investment of time and investment of time. locally raised capital. Communities presenting convincing programmes and sufficient local funds could be matched pound Two field officers will lead he work and set up the

chairman of the board, said: "This will not be an easy job. It is a long-term programme, which, if proved worthwhile, will strengthen the islands' social and economic fabric." Such cooperatives had not been attempted in Scotland, although they were operating in Ireland. The schemes were not confined to one activity but could cover hotels, knitwear factories, market gardens, and the provision of services and organization of social facilities. The cooperatives might also

be eligible for grant aid and other normal assistance through the board's loan scheme. A handbook in English and Gaelic has been published, giving the details of the scheme.

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Rules on architects' fee scales 'against the public interest?

Business News Staff

Rules that prevent architects and surveyors from quoting competitive fees are acting against the public interest, the Monopolies and Mergers Commission concludes in two respective published vectorial. ports published yesterday.

The commission was satisfied that more than a third of architects' and surveyors' services were supplied by those who calculated feel according to an agreed scale and thereby conducted their affairs so as to

Testrict competition. It says that fee scales, in particular those determined by the suppliers of services and supported by rules prohibiting competition, could not be re-lied on to produce a charge reasonably related to the amount of work and skills in-volved in any one job

volved in any one job.

For most valuation and property management services the variety of circumstances made it difficult to apply scales of Rules of associations that

prevented competitive quotation i fees deprived clients of the tive estimates. Thus fees were maintained at a bigher level than they might otherwise be.

[A statement from the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection, said that Mr Hattersleys, the Secretary of State, would ask the Director General of Fair Trading to investigate the matter and to recommend amendments to the rules governing fee scales rules governing fee scales. Mr Fraser, Minister of State

at the department, said Mr Hattersley expected to receive the recommendations within six

The reports, the result of a four-year study by the commission, recommend that the professional bodies should abolish rules requiring members to adhere to fee scales. Instead, they should be allowed to quote freely in competition. On architects, the commission concludes that the "system of mandatory scales, together with

lead to widespread fee-cutting, especially during a recession. That, it was suggested, would have damaging effects on the supply of architects' services and on professional standards. The institute did concede, however, that there might be imperfections in its present scales of charges. It said it would be happy to see—indeed, wished to see—an independent review body set up if the commission reported in favour of retaining the mandatory fee scale. Architects' Services and Surveyors' Services (Stationery Office, £2.85 each). rules which prevent compe-tition for business on the basis

after bailiffs move in of fees, operates against the public interest and should be brought to an end".

Recommended scales, the

commission suggests, should be determined by an independent

committee comprising a chairman and three of four members appointed by the Government. The same committee might con-

veniently perform similar duties in relation to recommen-

ded scales of charges for some

The fee-scale structure of architects, based on a percent-age of the cost of works, has

long been a subject of con-troversy. Yesterday's report is

The board's report, published a year later, recommended that

a year later, recommended that the fee scale should not be mandatory and that an independent review body should draw up a recommended scale. Negotiations were begun with the Royal Institute of British Architects on the basis of the

board's recommendations, but an impasse was reached on the

an impasse was reached on the suggestion that the fee scale shoud not be mandatory. The Government decided that the issue should be put in abey-

In evidence to the com-

mission the institute, which represents the vast majority of architects in the United Kingdom, argued that abandom-

ment of mandatory scales might lead to widespread fee-cutting,

surveyors' services.

From Arthur Osman

Legal advice has been sought by some tenants in council houses at Droitwich about the new and intensive use of disnew and intensive use of dis-traini orders as a matter of policy by Wychavon District Council to recover rent arrears. Yesterday it was said that injunctions were being con-sidered against the private bailiffe being employed by the council to enforce orders.

Tenants pay

up rent

It was also suggested that more of the nine district district councils in Hereford and Worcester were watching events at Wychavon and were a contribution to a debate that began in 1957 when the Govern-ment decided to refer the level rural and has 9,600 council properties, an annual reminiscence of f4m and net arrears of £64,000. The number of of architects' costs and fees to the National Board for Prices tenants owing a month's rent or more is 302.

In the past few days distraint orders have been issued, most of them on the Boycon Estate, in Drosewich. The population is mostly young and there is much unemployment. Social much unemployment. Social workers say the number of broken marriages is increasing because of poor job opportunities and the economic climate. Rents vary between £12 and £14, a week and are said to be the highest in Wychavon for three storey houses.

. The country's social services department was critical of the use of bailiffs and Mr Graham Godden, Sheker's housing aid officer in the Midkends, pro-tested to the Department of

tested to the Department of the Environment.

So far 64 of the 71 orders have been served and 20 recipients have paid off arrears; another 40 have reached an agreement with the bailiffs to pay of farrears at between 15 and £10 a week aften lower offers had been refused; one family had disappeared and two had had furniture distrained.

Average arrears were about

Average surears were about 10 weeks and Mr Godden said one man, who was more than 1450 behind with his rent, had taken out a financial loan to clear it off and had got himself

clear it off and had got himself further into debt.

On Monday the council's housing committee reaffirmed its new policy and yesterday Mr J. W. Fisher, the housing manager, said: "The sort of situation we were in involved, for example, 12 visits in one case without any payment. Eventually my people got fied up and instructed me to employ bailiffs.

"It has had a remarkably

salutary effect, with many of the 300 in arrears already coming forward to settle up,

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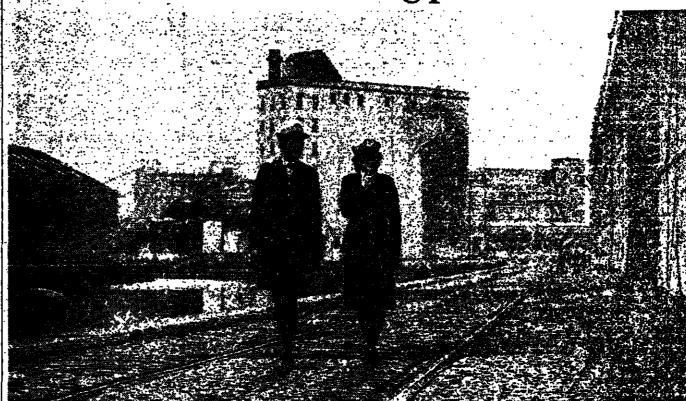
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On the beat 4: Sex Discrimination Act has integrated police duties

Women shoulder increasing part of burden



Police Constables Jane Dawes and Vivien Edwards (holding radio) on patrol in Moss Side, Manchester-

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent Over the personal radio of Constable Jane Dawes comes a request for any cars in the neighbourhood to go to trouble that has broken out in a cafe. We are patrolling in a Mini-Panda almost on the spot.

WPC Dawes knows that this WPC Dawes knows that this is one of the toughest places in Manchester, typical of the crumbling inner city areas fuelling Britain's high crime rate. There is plenty of violence in the area covered by the division, including six murders so far this year. Yet 15 per cent of foot partyl officers per cent of foot patrol officers there are women. The . constable

momentarily before pushing open the case door to glance at the expectant faces of the youngsters round the pool tables. She is outnumbered by about 20 to one. She says later that she recognized some of them, otherwise she would have thought twice about going in without aid.

A couple of Pakistanis come from behind the counter talk-ing rapidly in broken English. A white man with a broken nose chimes in. Youths raise their voices. She does nothing except listen, an oasis of calm, asking a question or two quietly. The din subsides.

A couple of youngsters leave, protesting that it was all a joke really and that the Pakis-

tanis reacted too strongly and came at them with a billiard cue. The possibility of worse trouble has been soothed away. "I'll ask the local policeman to call and have a chat", is her

WPC Dawes is 26 and has been in the force for six years. Her first job on duty that night was to see about a theft. A blank-faced blonde clutching a pink hair-brush told how she had discharged herself from a mental hospital. She showed bruises on her arm and to face her husband, who had ill treated her. She had ended up the previous night in a club, where her bandbag full of drugs had been stolen. All day she had been looking for

She says she had thought of throwing herself from one of the bleak blocks of flats. "Don't throw yourself under a Mini", WPC Dawes says, not callously, but seeking rapport. Back in the police station, she says again: "Don't throw yourself out of the window." (She could not, anyway: they do not open far enough.)

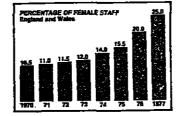
woman is lessening tension, making such ideas seem absurd. It works. After patient telephone calls to the woman's doctor, to social workers, trying to find somewhere for her no stay, they drive into Man-chester to a hostel.

Part of the job is saving people from the worst they can do to themselves. Much of the rest is saving them from the worst they can do to each

On foot patrol in the same area, 'VPC Vivien Edwards, aged 19 and with a year's service, strolls, hands clasped behind her back, up cobbled alleyways, past slinking cats, barking dogs and heaps of rubbish, looking for what is different.

She knows that this shop-keeper always keeps his gate at the back ajar, that that one does not, and that any car in the alley may well be a stolen one, because local people know the way has to be kept clear in case a fire engine needs to come up. If she sees something different, a gate open at the rear of a shop, she goes in, all 5ft 5in of her.

There is no false bravado. she knows what it is like being assaulted. "I was searching a female prisoner when lashed out suddenly."



WPC Dawes has also been attacked, while serving in the centre of Manchester she approached a disturbed man who suddenly took a swing at her nails in self-defence, but drew no blood, and before he could recover, two policemen

More and more, women in the British police will find themselves in the front line, police anxious to keep them out of conflict they cannot physically handle, in spite of training.

Part of the reason for the changing role of women in the force is the Sex Discrimination Act, which has integrated their work with men's. Another is that forces are finding it in-creasingly difficult to recruit

and keep men. On January 1, 1976, two days after the Act came into force, there were 408 women officers in Greater Manchester, com-pared with 5,497 men. There are now 658 women and 5,652 men. More than half the pro-bationers in the force (officers with less than two years' service) are women, compared with a third on January 1,

The proportion of foot patrol officers who are women ranges up to 21 per cent in one divi-sion in Greater Manchester. In last 12 months 28 women the force were seriously

Police pay, page 16

Power to cane restored

Power to cane boys and girls in Nottinghamshire's six child-ren's homes, with up to six trokes at a time, was restored to senior staff yesterday by a 21 to 7 vote of the county's Conservative-controlled social services committee. Caning was banned two years ago by the Labour group that then con-

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trolled the committee.

Before yesterday's decision a perition signed by 295 social workers emloyed by the county council had called on the committee not to restore caning. Labour members of the committee called for a seminar to dis-cuss the subject with child wel-

£18m road plan awaits hunt tor lost legion

By Philip Howard

Magiovinium has started barbinger of the bulldozers of the Department of Transport, which announced yesterday that the archaeological exploration will last for at least six months. After that its contractors will move in to divert the A5 (Warling Street) through the centre of Milton Keynes.

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The diversion has been designed to avoid the scheduled area of the Roman town of Magiovinium by fifty yards. However, archaeologists consider that the area, delineated from aerial photographs, is far too small, and that important Roman remains extend beyond the line of the new road. Archaeologists from the Ancient Monuments Secretariat of the Monuments Secretariat of the Department of the Environment will dig to see whether they are right.

Magiovinium is a name of mystery from the early days of the Roman invasion. Its position, streddling Watling Street and flanked by the river Ouzel, was identified only by the distance intervals on the Antonine Itinerary. Prelimin-ary excavations have found foundations of large structures far outside the perimeter of the sucient monument. There are reasons for supposing that the road will cut through a previously unknown Claudian

ort.

If more evidence is found, the fort may have been that of the Fourteenth Legion, which teld the centre of the Plautian Fosse Way frontier about AD 47. Another possibility is that a garrison was maintained at Magiovinium after Roman advance to Wales.

The archaeologists have a rief opportunity in the difficult conditions of mid-winter to discover traces of the lost legion. The 10-mile diversion will cost more than £18m.

New editor

Mr Alan Jenkins, aged 51 sistant editor of the Sunday Mirror, in London, is to be editor of The Glasgow Herald. He succeeds Mr Ian Lindsay-Smith, who has been appointed executive editor of The Observer.

Jockev's divorce

Mrs Carole Carson, aged 30, was granted a decree nisi in London yesterday against her husband, Willie Carson, aged 35, the jockey. The case was not contested.

Red Baron memento

A great-nephew of Baron Maufred von Richthofen, the Red Baron, arrived in Britain from West Germany yesterday to present the baron's leather flying helmet to the RAF museum at Hendon, London.

Eligibility for free school meals widens next week

By Diana Geddes **Education Correspondent**

The Government is to launch an extensive mukilingual pub-

an extensive multilingual publicity campaign next week to inform parents of their entitlement over free school meals. From next Monday, when the supplementary benefit rates go up, parents with two children and an income of up to £70 a week (£3,640 a year) will become eligible for a free meal for any child of school age. That means that about 500,000 more children will be entitled to a free school meal or nearly half as many again as the number eligible before the Government's announcement in August that the cost of a school meal was to rise from 15p to 25p at the beginning of the autumn term.

At the same time in August At the same time in August

At the same time in August it was announced that the income levels for eligibility for a free school meal were to be raised so that parents with two children earning up to £60 a week would qualify. But few have taken up their new entitlement and the Government has been criticized for not advertising the new eligibility limits. week would qualify. But few the Government is o issue have taken up their new entitlement and the Government has heen criticized for not advertishing the new eligibility limits chinese, as well as in English sufficiently widely or clearly.

Provisional figures based on an October census of pupils an October census of pupils show an increase in applications for free school meals of only about 13 per cent. A census in October last year showed that 839,000 pupils were receiving free school meals. That was only about three quarters of those believed to be eligible. those believed to be eligible.

Returns from the most recent census, which is not yet com-plete, also indicate that there has been a drop of 15 per cent in school meals after the recent price increase. Last October, when the price was still 15p, 5,836 children were taking school meals, representing just over two thirds of all children in maintained schools.

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Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said in the Commons debate on the Queen's Speech last Friday that the new scales to be introduced on Monday would mean that a quarter of the nine million schoolchildren in England and Wales would be entitled to a free meal be entitled to a free meal.

Unemployed youth 'fare better than most

By Annabel Ferriman

Youth unemployment does not warrant greater public concern, intervention or cash than that of any other generation, according to a new survey by Policical and Economic Planning published today.

Men in their thirties and

forties with children suffer most from being out of work, and their families suffer with them. Employers should be subsidized to take them on, it

says. Its authors, a summary of les authors, a summary of whose findings are published in today's New Society, traced and reinterviewed people who were unemployed in 1973 and whom they had first talked to for their National Survey of the Unemployed that year.

When the samples were seen again in 1976 the older people were less likely to have had some work in the meantime and were more likely to bave taken worse jobs than they had done previously.
The young had fared better

then other people in every way. Where they were in work they had had by far the biggest increase in earnings, compared with their 1973 pay, and their jobs were likely to have been upgraded.

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One striking fact that emerged was that they were very likely to have changed jobs. A quarter of those aged between 18 and 24 had three or more jobs in those three years. About 11 per cent had had five or more.

In the case of older men, those who were unskilled or

those who were unskilled or semi-skilled and had more than one child, appeared to do worst of all. The authors suggest that child dependency allowances led them to seek higher levels of pay and therefore to be out of work longer. In the PEP sample the family men aged between 25 and 54

were generally unskilled, low-paid when in work, prone to ill health or disabled. The factor that seemed to determine whether they found work in the three-year period appeared to be how many children they had, those with more children having worked less.

That led the authors to con-

clude that the level of depend-ency allowance is of the utmost importance and their conclusion was borne out by two other

pieces of evidence.
First, PEP found both in 1973 and 1976 that the minimum of work were strongly related to the levels of their benefir incomes, while when married men with children had worked in the three-year period the level of pay had been consist-ently higher the more children they had

they had.

The authors find these results disturbing in relation to public policy, because of the long-term effects on those out of work. While in the short term their recipies might be logical in the actions might be logical, in the long term those on unemployment benefit have no way of improving their income by over-time or promotion and their lives are often a constant battle to make ends meet.

The authors say one solution might be to subsidize jobs for the longer term, unskilled un-employed. Other possibilities in-clude the introduction of a system of negative income tax.
Where are they now? (by W. W.
Daniel and Elizabeth Stilzoe, available from PEP, 12 Upper Belgrave Street, London SWIX 8BB,
f4, plus 25p postage and packine. Political Correspondent

writes: Present policies of the government on youth unemployment are too piecemeal when ment are too piecement ween viewed against the background of EEC initiatives, the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities says in a report published yesterday.

"We would like to see an we would like to see an immediate commitment to a policy of school-based preparation for work and work-based continuation of education for all

young people" it said. "This should be within the framework of overall economic policy aimed at full employment."

48th Report of the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities: Youth Unemployment (Stationery Office, £1.85).

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reason for Norway bar on British ships

Northern Industrial Correspondent

A dispute is about to break out among EEC fishing nations, after British trawlermen were ordered to leave the Arctic fishing grounds of north Norway at midnight last Saturday, because Community cod quotas

had been exceeded. The British fishermen's claim that they still have 2,500 tonnes of their allocation of cod to catch has been rejected by the Norwegians, who have indicated that French vessels have already taken it. The British Fishing Federation is forecasting idle ships and higher unemployment and is demanding that Mr Silkin, the Minister of Agriculture, ask the EEC for

compensation.
A Federation spokesman said last night: "We are furious. Once again we have been playing the game and once again it looks as though we have been cheated." Losing the cod catch which

trawler companies trad carefully planned to take them to the end of the year, when new doubly grievous because other EEC states are only permitted to fish in Norwegian waters in return for Britain ablowing Norway to fish in British waters.

The spokesman said that
Norway, frustroted by the
EEC's inability to reach any
agreement on fishing, had
unilaterally set a total target of 54,800 tonnes of cod for the EEC in the Norwegian 200-mile zone north of the sixty-second parallel. She blew the whistle

caught 55,059 tonnes. It was confirmed in Osio that EEC vessels would not be allowed to return this year", he said.
The EEC had decided that

the 18,500 tonnes of cod left for the period between Septem-ber 1 and the end of the year should comprise 13,000 tonnes for Britain, 3,200 tonnes for France and 2,300 tonnes for West Germany. Britain had caught just under 10,400 tonnes when the base to the compression of the year. when the ban was imposed on Saturday, according to ministry records here. Norwegian records showed that France and West Germany bad taken 8,300 tonnes, about 2,800 tonnes more then their joint avera.

The fishing federation spokesman said last night:
"Norway has made no secret of the fact that the French are the culprits, although Norway's only concern is the total EEC only concern is the total EEC quota. The implications are just beginning to sink in. There is nowhere else for the vessels to go. The first will be returning in the next few days and they will not go to sea again this year. Some 60 vessel trips have been lost and the chances are cod will be unobtainable by Christmas."

He continued: "When Mr

than their joint quota.

He continued: "When Mr Silkin goes to Brussels for the next round of talks, idle ships liming our quays and shore workers swelling unemploy-ment figures will provide eloquent proof of what we have been saying all along—quotas don't work. The rest of the world already knows that it seems Britain must suffer more than its fair share of social and economic misery before the EEC will accept reality."

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Bonn police take fancy to British armoured car

From Patricia Clough Bonn, Nov 9

The West German police are pressing for British armoured patrol cars to replace the forbidding and, they say, inadequate personnel carriers which make Bonn look like an occu-

The ugly tank-like SWII's which guard certain Government buildings, embassies and ministers' homes against pos-sible terrorist attacks are "tor-ture chambers" for their occupants and a danger to traffic, the police union's North Rhine-Westphalian branch claims.

The crew, including the driver, can only see out of slits and a colleague has to sit on the when it is moving to give directions. The brakes often fail and it is impossible to shoot accurately from inside the vehicle.

oven It leaks when raining and, ing inquiries about the Shor-

Orange notices on the locked

doors of bakers' shops in Paris read today: "Bravo, M Barre. With the butter croissant at 1.20 (14p) and the chocolate

roll at 1.30 you have succeeded

in pulling France out of the crisis."

are a rare sight in France. They

are the first to open and the last to close each day. They open on Sundays and holidays in every area according to an agreed rota like British chem-

ists. Bread to a healthy French-

Locked doors of bakers' shops

petrol-bomb proof, a union spokesman said. The union is suggesting that the North Rhine-Westphalian government, which is in charge of police security in Bonn, should buy the Shorland Mk3 armoured patrol car, which was developed for police use in Northern Ireland.

Union representatives have examined models being used by the Dutch police at Amsterdam airport and are enthusiastic. Its higher speed and mobility, lower consumption of fuel and greater range of action made it highly suitable for Bonn, they declared. For psychological reasons they also prefer its appearance—the Shorland looks like a modified Land Rover.

"The SWII's do not give a good impression; we would like something less military", the spokesman added. No comment was available from the North and it is impossible to shoot something less military, the accurately from inside the vehicle.

In winter the man on the turret freezes and in summer erument but it was understood the steel-clad vehicle is like an they have also been making inquiries about the Short.

Signal Sizeri.

Three groups of different nationalities are being prepared for the attack. The West Cermans who have been trained in Iraq have gone to the steel-clad vehicle is like an they have also been making inquiries about the Short.

sians had to make do without their morning croissant and had

to mop up their sauce at lunch

with stale baguettes because nearly all the small bakers closed for the day in protest at the measures brought in by M

Barre last week in an attempt to cut back the rising food

hit by the measures which not only peg back the prices of seven of the most popular rolls

and buns but lay down required

sizes for them to head off

attempts to maintain profits by selling smaller products.

Bakers were particularly hard

Paris bakers close in croissant war

Overfishing by French | Sir Christopher Soames criticizes lack of information

Appeal for people to be told what EEC membership really means

The present avalaise in the European Community did not arise so much from its economic caisis as from the fact that member governments, espe-cially those of the larger countries, refused to give it its due, Sir Christopher Soames, a vice-president of the Commission until the end of last year, said here today.

"They do not take into account the European dimen-sion and tend to arribute all sion and tend to attribute all that is positive in it to their own action, and all that is negative to the Commission." he said at a luncheon given in his bonour by the British Conservative Association in France. Sir Christopher was a former British Ambassador here.

"Neither through their rections nor through their actions nor through their rections nor through their publics what Europe is all about "Sir Christopher said. During his four years in Brussels he was amazed how little time both the Conservative and Labour Parties had devoted to explaining the Community to the British people.

"When nothing is made clear about it, people cannot

Terrorists

prepare

revenge for

Mogadishu'

in the afternoon by closing as well. They too have been hit by measures pegging the price of meat and fish as well as sandwiches and drinks in the bars. The small grocers are angry too at the part of the new measures.

at the part of the new measures which will allow the supermar-

ket chains to open up in more areas than they have been able

hitherto.

The widespread support of the action, which in the bakers' case at least could have been

at no small cost to their weekly turnover, may give M Barre food for thought. The small

the Community." He believed that if Mrs Thatcher became Prime Minister the Conserva-tives would explain things in European terms to the British people and he hoped the press would take its one from them. "Nationalistic habits have

prevented us from making the most of the Community. So long as they persist, it is hard to give the Community the chance it deserves. If Europe is to remain in business, this must be channed. Otherwise it willb e gradually eroded as the sea erodes the coast. What a waste, and what a contrast to the attitude towards the Com-munity of those countries out-side it. Sir Christopher con-When ministers went to

When ministers went to Washington, they were at pains to play-down the Community. But the Chinese attached great importance to Europe. In South-east Asia the fact that the Community had no volonial past was a great advantage and enabled it to play a part

understand; and when things was so hostile, and made life go wrong, they tend to blame so difficult for the EEC, it was because it saw in the Community the possibilit y that Europe might be strengte-hened Sir Christopher said.

Turning to direct elections the European Parliament, as said it would be as wrong to minimize the importance of the Parliament as to exaggerare it, but the main result of direct elections would be to "The 81 British MPs to

Strasbourg will talk essentially

about European matters not only at election time but between elections. Even if they are anti-European when they first go up there, they will, as experience has shown, be converted to Europe afterwards and will come back and take European positions at home", Sic Christopher exid er Christopher said.

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British membership of the Europeam market to the Indian sub-continent, and if Russia

Elysée move to dispel nuclear energy fears

An information council on nuclear energy is to be set up under the chairmanship of Mme Simone Veil, the Minister West German terrorists, trained in Iraq, have returned to Europe for a campaign of revenge for the failure last mouth of the kidnapping of Dr. Hans-Martin Schleyer and of the Lufthansa hijacking, the weekly magazine Stern reports.

The terrorists are given

The decision was made by the Cabinet today and is in time with President Giscard d'Estaing's view that the public should be better informed about the Government's long-term programme for the development of nuclear energy, which has been under increas-ing attack from ecologists and the left.

The Government hopes the work of the council will pre-vent a repetition of the violent

weekly magazine Stern reports.

The terrorists are given basic training by the Iraqi Army, the report effeges, and then taken to camps outside Baghdad for special terrorist training.

Some are trained in a camp at Habbaniyah by Dr Wadi Haddad, who is believed to be the head of the special operations section of the extremist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and to have organized air hijackings.

The four people who hijacked the Lufthansa Boeing 737 with 87 people on board were trained in his camp, on a similar aircraft lent by the Iraqi Airways, according to Stern. vent a repetition of the violent classes at Creys-Malville, in the Isere, at the end of July, where the Super Phoenix 1,200 megawatt fast-breeder reactor is being built.

President Giscard d'Estaing emounced that the council would be established as a gesture to the ecologists, who are likely to play a decisive part in the coming elections, when he visited the national park of visited the national park of Les Ecries in the Isere.

seek release

of hostages

Panis, Nov 9

From Our Own Correspondent

A delegation of the French Socialist Party, led by M Lionel Jospin, of the national secretariat, arrived in Algiers today on a long-arranged visit. Although meetings with representatives of the Polisario Front

Paris, Nov 9

An information council on nuclear energy is to be set up of nuclear energy.

of nuclear energy."

The council willb e directly responsible to M Barre, the Prime Minister. It will empowered to consult scientific bodies and to hear evidence from any person it believes will help achieve its aims.

It will consist of a president, appointed for three years, four representatives of local authorities directly affected by the construction of nuclear power stations, and six representatives of environmentalists and ecologists. All will be

atives of environmentalists and ecologists. All will be appointed by the Prime Minister. In addition, two members of the Academy of Sciences, one of the Academy of Medecine, and one of the Academy of Moral Sciences will be appointed by those bodies. Another four people with special expertise in the fields of energy, economics and communications, chosen by the munications, chosen by the Prime Minister, will also sit on the council.

It remains to be seen whether the council will be

Socialists to | Man shot after seizing

nurse From Our Correspondent Copenhagen, Nov 9 🕟

A man who took a nurse hostage at a mental hospital in an attempt to enforce the liberation" of a female patient, was shot dead here last night. The revolver he had used to threaten hospital staff was later found to be a harmless starting pistol indistinguishable in appearance from a real

the revolver to make her scream into the telephone as he was speaking to officials of the

The police said it had not been possible to shoot only to injure the man, since the lower half of his body was shielded by his hostage. Police had tried for some four hours to persuade him to surrender.

A hospital official said the dead man was a former patient who had previously tried to secure the woman patient's release. The hostage, a 24-yearold nurse, was said to be re-covering from abrasions and

Porsche family snub plan for Austrian car industry

Vienna, Nov 9
Opposition by the Porsche family to the manufacture in Austria of a new car by a new Porsche subsidiary is endangering plans by Dr Kreisky, the Chancellor, for an Austrian

"The Saharan peoples, split by an arbitrary act between foreign states, have been the victims of a denial of justice.

M. Robert Fabre, leader of the

M Robert Fabre, leader of the Radical Party (the third constituent of the Union of the Left) said last night that the taking of hostages "could not justify the right of the people of the Sahara to claim their independence".

Kreisky bas said. The Porsche family are still Austrians. They founded their company in West Germany shortly after the war after an

The opposition Austrian People's Party maintains that the new car, whose design has already been leaked in the Austrian press, would be too expensive. There would be insurmountable servicing problems, and marketing prospects in the United Stores would de-

Members of the Porsche family relinquished their directorship of the Porsche firm in West Germany five years ago but keep control of it

The Austrians point out that one Porsche grandson is em-

Next round on Rhodesia may be held

desian nationalist leader.

The Foreign Office said that Malta was one of the places mentioned by Field Marshal Lord Carver, the British Resident Commissioner-designate, during his African tour which

Lord Carver and also with Mr John Graham, the British diplo-mat who has been conducting the constitutional discussions, this afternoon. He will then give an appraisal of the negoti-ations so far and announce the next steps when he opens the debate on the annual renewal of sanctions in the Commons tomogrow.

Despite the bad experience of Geneva, it seems that the Government is now in favour of a conference on Rhodesia, where all the main parties could meet round the same table. Certainly, to take soundings individually in Africa, as has been the procedure over the past few months, is very time consuming. Dr Owen is anxious, above all, to speed up the talks, so as to reach the transition period in time for Rhodesia to become as to reach the transition period in time for Rhodesia to become an independent state in 1978. Peter Hill writes from Lagos: Dr Owen is expected to receive a generally pessimistic briefing on prospects for an early move towards a Rhodesian settlement from Lord Carver.

Lord Carver, who completed his round of exploratory talks with a long meeting here today with Lieutenant-General Oluse-

remained to be resolved. The most difficult and most important issue was the future of "the armed men on both

ment.—Reuter. Why a simple election is no

Princely kiss: Embrace between the Prince of Wales and Miss Sylvia Cresnar, aged 28, in the crowd yesterday at Adelaide airport.

A candid Mr Kruger defends his actions

From Eric Marsden Pretoria, Nov 9

OVERSEAS.

Being one of the most un-copular men in the world is not role Mr Jimmy Kruger rela role Mr Jimmy Kruger relishes, but he accepts the stigma philosophically in the certainty that has ections which have brought worldwide wrath on the heads of South Africa's Government were absolutely

press which most correspon-dents had expected to be off the record, the Minister for Justice, Police and Prisons Les Ecrias in the Isere.

Today's Cabinet announcement said: "The implementation of the nuclear energy programme constitutes for our capable of ellaying the growing programme constitutes for our capable of ellaying the growing Justice, Police and Prisons spoke for quotation about his programme. Twice in the past, programme constitutes for our Le Monde points out, the consciousness organizations, control which is very short of energy resources, a national reveal everything about this not this still new subject, the index of the following programme, but it has not stopping publication of three newspapers, It was all done, be record, the Minister for Justice, Police and Prisons out, the consciousness organizations, but it has not stopping publication of three newspapers, It was all done, be record, the Minister for Justice, Police and Prisons out, the consciousness organizations, but it has not stopping publication of three necessity and priority. But on this still new subject, the instopping publication of three newspapers. It was all done, he made clear, more in sorrow than in enger..

Mr Kruger talked candidly Mr Kruger talked candidly about his own character, his likes and dislikes. "There is no racialism in my makeup whatsoever. I am a white African. I believe I am the brother of all black Africans. . . Any solution I seek is a solution for all." He had acted against the outlawed organizations "so that the black man can live in peace".

He spoke at length about the letters he had had from black people urging him to stop the disruption of life in the Afri-can townships.

He said it was not possible

to arrive at a conclusion as to the cause of death in the ab-

attacks, the military authorities announced here. Another 16

people were killed in further attacks in the troubled Mindanao-Sulu erea in southern

Philippines.
The insurgents—the Moro.
National Liberation Front—lost

four men in the raids,-Agence

by Army in

terestedness, said: "I don't ban people because I distike them. I hav the greatest respect for Robert Sobukwe (the banned African National Congress leader), though I have never seen him in my life." As for Percy Qoboza, editor of the black newspaper The Warld, banned on October 19:

"He is a very intelligent shap.
I thought I could go a long
way with him, but he took a
direction totally unacceptable to black power".
On the death in detention of Seeve Bike in September, Mr Kruger wa ssurprisingly forth-coming considering that evid-ence is to be presented to an inquest next week. He insisted that criticism of his depart-

uner criticism of his depart-ment was ill-directed. "I do not think we have been dis-housest at any stage". When Mr Biko was first taken ell, the police thought he was simulating something " and doctors were brought to examine him. On press reports that brein damage had been found Mr Kruger commented:

"There is no evidence at all of police anyolvement. A man can damage his brain in many ways. There are all sorts of possibili-He dismissed fears of dicta-

torship, which was alien to Afrikaners and English South Africans aike. It would be a marvellous country, he said, "whe othese people (the Americans, Russians and OAU states)

in Malta

By Our Diplomatic

By Our Diplomatic
Correspondent
The idea of arranging a conference on Rhodesia to be held
in Malta was attracting considerable attention yesterday,
after a hint about talks from
Mr Joshua Nkomo, the Rhoended yesterday, but that no

ended yesterday, but that no discussions on a date or a venue has been taken yet. Mr Nkomo was reported as saying in London that a meeting would take place "in a few days time on an island."

Malta has certain advantages for a Rhodesia conference, if all the parties agree, in being close to home and having good communications. Geneva, where the ill-fated conference met a year ago, is regarded as being year ago, is regarded as being too much of a diplomatic hot-

Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, will confer with Lord Caryer and also with Mr

tomorrow.

Despite the bad experience of

with Lieutenant-General Olusegun Obasanjo, the Nigerian Head of State, said afterwards: "There is a long way to go before the proposals are accepted by both sides."

He said he would not be prepared to say that he was optimistic about the timetable for majority rule based on the Anglo-American proposals. To do so would be rather unrealistic. But he emphasized that in his round of talks he had not found any acceptable alternative solution. Big problems still remained to be resolved.

Graham today completed six days of discussions with Rhodesian officials and black nationalist leaders by paying a courtesy call on Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister. No details The meetings have been held in secrecy but sources close to th negotiations said two hurdles lie in the way of the Anglo-American plan for a peaceful transition to black rule by the end of next year. They are: the make-up of a transitional government and maintenance of law and order during its life; and the type of franchise to be employed in electing a govern-

have not yet been arranged, it is likely that they will try to negotiate the release of the French hostages held by the rebels in the Western Sahara. shopkeepers are among those most likely to support the gov-ernment majority at the next election. Inquiry sought into dentist's death The small grocers, butchers and the cafes joined the protest quirement as medicine for a sick sence of the autopsy report which has not been made public by the South African authorities. He apealed to Dr I. Gordon of the University of Natal, who carried out the post-Like the Communists, the Socialists feel it would be worth recognizing the Polisario to ob-The order to shoot was given to a policeman after the 39-year-old man had started to hit his hostage over the head with By David Watts Four hours after he was detained for questioning by police in Durban on August 3, Dr Hoosen Haffejee, a "brilliant young dentist of Indian extraction, was dead. The Durban police say that Dr Haffejee, who worked at the city's King George V Hospital, was held under the Criminal Proceedings Act for investigation under the Terrorism Act. They say that he was arrested Doulton Wallguard Guarantee to cure Rising Damp rain the release of the prisoners rain the release of the prisoners. M François Mitterrand, the party leader, said in a radio interview last night that although he condemned the holding of the prisoners "It isn't a good way to obtain their freedom—appearing to organize a military campaign. "The Saharan peoplet solit mortem examination to make his findings known. Amnesty

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From Sue Masterman motor industry to be set up with jobs for more than 10,000. "Without the name Porche, the whole scheme is off", Dr

unsuccessful attempt to start it in Austria.

cline with the tightening of President Carter's energy progromme.
Dr Kreisky's Socialist Gov-

erument argues that the new car industry, to be called Austro-Porsche, besides providing 10,000 much needed jobs, would increase foreign investment in Austria and belp save foreign currency. Value added tax is to be increased to 30 per cent on January 1 on new imported cars which would obviously help a domestic motor

ployed by Daimler-Benz and another, Herr Ferdinand Piech, is head of the design department at Audi-NSU. It is Herr Piech who appears to be lead-ing the opposition to the use of the Porsche name in Austria. He has said on Austrian radio that he and other mem-bers of the family do not want to see their name associated with an industrial disaster.

when police came to the house to say he had committed suicide. Our reaction was disbelief" she said. The doctor's flat was searched

appealer for an inkury into the circumstances surrounding the A story of alleged official calousness over Dr Haffejee's death was told by Miss Rabia They say that he was arrested in the early hours of August 3 and hanged himself in his cell death was told by Miss Rabia Rahim, the dead man's aunt, who is a teacher of the deaf in Camberwell, London and was on holiday with his family in Pietermaritzburg at the time.

The police, she said, had not even been sole to agree on the method Dr Haffejee allegedly used to kill himself. Colonel François Steenkamp, the Durban poice chief, said he had hanged himself by attaching one leg of his trousers to the door of his cell. Another officer said with one leg of his trousers. His hospital colleagues say that he was absent from work throughout the previous day.

Amnesty International yesterday released photographs of Dr. Haffejee's body, obtained from South Africa, which showed a considerable number of shore considerable number of abra-sions some of which were caused before death, according to Dr Sigurd Riber Albretsen of the Institute of Forensic Pathology in Coephagen, who was consulted by Amnesty.
Dr Albrecsen said that the photographs showed evidence of either blows or pressure applied to the back, knee joints, elbows and ankles. From the

of his cell. Another officer said he had tied it to one of the bars on the window. When asked in on the window. When asked in a telephone call about this discrepancy, Col Steenkamp said:
"I. don't have to talk to you about this", and hung up.
Miss Rahim said she had spoken to Dr Haffejee on August I, before his return to photographs there was no "convincing" evidence of con-striction of the neck Durban and 48 hours before he

The doctor's flat was searched by a member of policemen for two hours. They took away a book, a pamphlet and some personal letters. When the family asked for permission to remove the body a police official said they could not do so because it had no identity card. When asked how the police because it had no identity card.
When asked how the police
could have arrested a man without asking for an identity card,
the police official pushed aside
Miss Rahim and walked away.
The only clue to police
motives came the following day
when officers detained a when officers detained a mechanic friend of Dr Haffejee and questioned him all day, saying that the doctor had "confessed to everything". They referred to telephone conversations between Dr Haffje. and his friend in May this year.

Soon efterwards a colleague of the doctor was abducted by two Afrikaans-speaking whites outside the hospital. He was blindfolded and driven for about 15 minutes before being taken into a house, tied up and suspended from the ceiling Whenever he could not answer died. He was happy, talked of his plans for the future and under water. He was later what they planned to do the following evening. The first the was found by a friend.

Massacre claim **GENERATING SETS** south Philippines Zamboanga City, Nov 9.-Musitin insuregents massacred 15 Christian civilians last week in a fresh wave of guerrilla

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HOME NEWS

'Misleading sexual advice given to children'

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

Children as young as 10 years are being given unbalanced and sometimes wrong information about serval matters in teenage magazines and by officially sponsored bodies such as the Family Planning Information Service and the Health Education Council, the Responsible Society said yesterday.

Dr Stanley Ellison, chairman of the society, which was formed in 1971 to engage in research and education in mat-ters affecting the family and vouth, said there was an assault on children, apparently with the aim of ensuring that adolescents engaged in sexual intercourse at the earliest possible oppor-

The Government appeared to and Government appeared to encourage that assault. There was constant reference to "boy" and "girl" sexual intercourse in a brochure published by the Family Planning Information Service, and the age of entirethought rather than as a matter of significant importmatter of significant importance, Dr Ellison said.

The brochure advised boys and girls to use private family planning clinics and the FPA's mail order business, which seemed a questionable use of public money. The brochure also recommended special advisory ressions for young people where the "advantage is that there is no chance of meeting older relatives or neighbours".

Because parents were largely unaware of what was happening the society had produced a pamphlet for them, which would of Health and women's organizations, Dr Ellison said.

The pamphler, which says that ive thousand schoolgirls hecome pregnant every year before they have much idea of what life has to offer, asks parents if they know what those experts who devise sex education courses and give advice in magazines are saying.

In a statement supporting the pamphlet, Sir John Peel, former president of the British Medical Association and of the Family Association and of the Family Planning Association, said the croul approach in much popular teaching to contraception, abortion and venereal disease was totally irresponsible because there were many and serious

complications. Tolerant and permissive trends could be reversed only if parents took a hand, made themselves more aware of what to protect their children from exploitation, Sir John said.

A pamphlet on health education in schools, published today by the Department of Education and Science, says that since 1943, when schools were officially recognized as having a reconstbility for sex education, there had been many changes that raised often horly dis-cussed ethical and moral auestions.

The question that every school must decide, in cooperaion with parents, was the sibility in helping young people. Dear Parents (Responsible Society The Old Rectory, The Green, Hilten, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire; 20p); Health Education in Schools (Stationery Office; 52.50).

Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

Mr Callaghan's valiant attempt to change the course of Prime Minister's question time in the Commons on Tuesday and Thursday each week appears to have failed. For years MPs have complained that Prime Ministers have been getting away with murder by having it within their power to transfer questions that they do not want to answer to departmental ministers lower down

mental ministers lower down the pecking order. Prime Ministers, on the other hand, would argue that this power of transfer had nothing

power of transfer had nothing to do with any desire to avoid questions but existed because they could not be expected to reply across the whole range of government business and that in any case MPs would probably get a better answer from the minister most closely involved with the particular queer.

As time went on and MPs became craftier more and more devices were invented to force

question on a Prime Minister.

By Hugh Noyes



Thatcher tree: Mrs Thatcher, the Conservative leader, planting a tree yesterday in Flood Street, Chelsea, where she lives, as part of the Tree Week campaign.

Teaching union passes 100,000 membership

In-service membership of the National Association of School-masters/Union of Women Teachers is now more than 100,000, Mr Terence Casey, general secretary of the union, announced yesterday. The union represents nearly a quarter of all teachers working in schools, he said.

The news should have impor-

Ar present the National Union of Teachers, which claims on in-service membership of 230,000, has 16 representatives on the Burnham Committee, compared with only three representatives of the NAS/UWT. The latter's representation has not changed since 1963, when the association's total member-ship was only about 40,000.

A dispute over representation between the NAS/UWT and the NUT has simmered for many years. Between them the two organizations represent more

one could be certain what was being asked. That had the advantage for MPs of making it

difficult for the Prime Minister to transfer the questions and they could then jump in with the supplementaries they had wanted to ask in the first place.

Endless questions appeared on the order paper asking Prime Ministers whether they would pay an official visit to Timbuctoo or Outer Mongolia, or if they would list their engagements for next Tuesday

than two thirds of serving

The NAS/UWT feels particu-larly aggrieved that the NUT-holds an absolute majority on the Burnham Committee, having 16 seats compared with the total of 12 held by the other seven reachers' associations, that means, in effect, Mr Casey argues, that the NUT miliater-ally determines what the policy ally determines what the policy on techers' pay should be.

The news should have important repercussions on the size of the union's representation on such bodies as the Burnham Committee on Teachers' Salaries, the Schools Council on examinations and the curviculum, and any other teachers' representative groups with which the Government may wish to hold discussions.

At present the National Majority, he says, Mr Casey wents Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, to use majority, he says.

The minister has asked the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) to determine what representation each teachers' union should each teachers' union should have, after the NUT refused a few weeks ago to participate in discussions on the format for the department's circular on the curricular review on the ground that the NAS/UWT was over-represented on the proposed teachers' consultative

From here to obscurity at question time

changed so that Mr Rif-kind's question ended up by asking if Mr Healey would visit the IMF.
In vain did Mr Callaghan protest that he could not be expected to answer everything, and that if he did there would be nothing left for any other ministers to do. After all, he are the could be seen to the could be seen to pointed out, since the beginning of the experiment he had transferred only 14 questions out of 532 addressed

The Opposition benches roared with glee as Mr Callaghan added that he had the feeling that some of them were trying to make things as difficult as they could. While not resenting that, MPs should not mind if he sometimes defended himself.

week.

So Mr Callaghan made the daring suggestion to MPs a few months ago that if they would ask more pertinent questions he would undertake not to transfer their queries quite so frequently. For a while that seemed to be working, but on Tuesday, as the Prime Minister ended his first question time of the new session, Mr Malcolm Rifkind protested that his question asking Mr Callaghan if he would visit the headquarters of the International Monetary Fund in Washington had been transferred to the Clearly annoyed at the con-tinued complaints and the lack of response to his noble gesture, the Prime Minister then declared that the experi-ment was at an end as far as he was concerned and that the House would be returned to the bad old days when the success To make matters worse, of a question was judged by the wording had been the depths of its obscurity.

In the end, questions became so obscurely worded that no Atomic waste tests planned in Northumberland

out test drilling in Northumber-land to study the properties of granite for waste disposal. The tests would be part of an EEC research programme, with other countries studying clay and salt

The area being considered is Chillingham Forest. The authority said the nature and objectives of the programme would be explained to Northumberland County Council next Thursday. Another granite formation to Another granite formation to be investigated is in the Carrick Forest area of south-west Scot-land. The authority expects to submit a planning application to drill there within a few

weeks. Other studies of granite are being made in south-west England.

Television 'should give warnings about violence'

affairs, said yesterday. The warnings, he said, should also be carried in Radio Times and TV Times.

had been transferred to the

The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority said yester-day that it was considering making an application to carry out test drilling in Northumber opposition spokesman on home affairs, said yesterday. The Warnings should be shown on we as adults take a very relaxed television screens before proview of violence then I think the children will feel them are shown. Mr Whitelaw, opposition spokesman on home and will be rather encouraged. played a minor part compared with the whole basis of our society. Speaking of the juve-Recalling that the inde nile court system and the type Recastling that the independent television experiment on those lines had been found helpful and useful, he added:
"I should hope there was at least the need to take action to warn people about programmes and that there should be some symbols indicating the programmes with a large amount of violence in them."

Mr Whitelaw, speaking to the Broadcasting Press Guild, said he thought there was a relationship between violence on television and violence in the country as a whole, particularly among young people. "If

Farmers to reserve space for wildlife

The farming lobby in Eng-and and Wales committed isself yesterday to finding space for beauty spots and wildlife in a shrinking and intensively cultivated agricultural landscape.

The National Farmers' Union and the Country Landowners' Association appealed to their combined membership of more than 200,000 for provision of small parcels of land specifically for their contribution to landscape or Wildlife, while the generality of the country-side is used to produce food and number.

and timber."

The statement marks a milestone the interests of wildlife and farming are contradictory. Some of the twest in sects, plants and binds need habitats left uncultivated and often undrained for decades.

British husbandry, among the most advanced in Europe, is being pushed to produce more from a shrinking area. Government policy demands more ruthless efficiency while wildlife thrives best where agriculture is slovenly.

The NFU and CIA decided,

agriculture is slovenly.

The NFU and CLA decided, after strong appeals from the Countryside Commission, that their members had a responsibility for conserving habitats that often could not be restored once they had been made suitable for farming.

"We must establish a wider appreciation in our own industry of the vital contribution we can make towards the conservation of the landscape and of wildlife", the statement said.

It called on farmers and landowners to dig ponds and landowners to dig ponds and keep some permanent pasture free of ferrilizer and weed-killer. It recognized that farmers who followed its advice might deny themselves income, and said: "Proper advice, practical and financial incentives for individual farmers and landowners will be needed if conservation objectives are to be achieved."

North criticizes composition of NEB offshoots

By John Chartres
The Government's proposal
to set up regional offshoots of
the National Enterprise Board
in north-east and north-west
England has received only a
cautious welcome in the regions concerned.

The move is seen clearly as

an attempt to buy off opposi-tion to the new devolution Bills and prevent a repetition of the position in which many Labour MPs in the North opposed the last Bill because of fears in land would gain infair advan-tages on the industrial front.

Mr Michael Campbell, Labour header of Tyne and Wear leader of Tyne and Wear County Council, which has led much of the opposition in the North-east to Scottish devolution, said yesterday that he was greatly disappointed that greatly disappointed that elected members of local gov-grament organizations were not

being invited to serve on the new regional boards. The new boards, according to The new boards, according to the government statement issued on Tuesday, are to be comprised of part-time members drawn from industry and trade unions together with the existing NEB regional directors.

Mr Campbell said he hoped that that was "an oversight" on the part of the Government, which would quickly be put right.

right.
Three counties, Tyne and Wear, Northamberland, and Durham, are forming a joint pressure group, the Northern Counties Association, which will try to prevent any unfair share of government and and job attraction from resources

going to Scotland.

That is seen by the leaders of the three counties concerned as a better means of presenting the North-east's case to the nation and to Whiteheast, but he was the second of the counties of the second of the than the unpopular idea of creating an elected regional government.

The fact that the proposes regional enterprise boards will consist of partitime appointed members, rather than demo-cratically elected ones, as seen as a basic weakness.

Well informed sources in Manchester and Liverpool say that political leaders view the government proposals as little more than a halfway house in what is really required.

More damages for princess

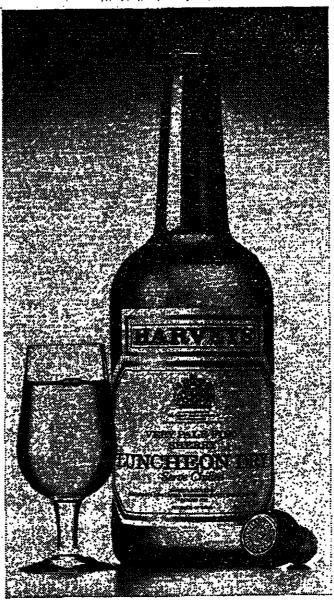
Associated Newspapers paid substantial damages to the former Foreign Minister of Uganda, Princess Elizabeth Bagaya of Toro, yesterdey in sentlement of a libel action.

Other newspapers have paid substantial sums during the past two years for repeating accusa tions about her made by President Amin. Associated Newspapers paid the sum yesterday over a report in the Evening News on December 9, 1976.

Police recover a Constable work

A Conscable painting stolen from the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, on Tuesday, was recovered by the police yester-

The oil, depicting East Berg-holt, painted in 1808, was recov-ered from a picture dealer's shop in Cambridge. The police are looking for the person who





The making of two classic styles of sherry.

Throughout the summer, white Palomino grapes were slowly ripening on the gently rolling hills that surround Jerez de la Frontera.

They were harvested in September, then pressed and now the mosto (juice) is being allowed to ferment freely in casks within the cool vaulted bodegas.

By next Spring, certain mostos will be developing flor (yeast on the surface of the young wine), and others will not.

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The classic fino is very pale in colour and very dry to taste, with a delicate bouquet. Luncheon Dry is just such a fino, and is always best served chilled as it is in Jerez itself.

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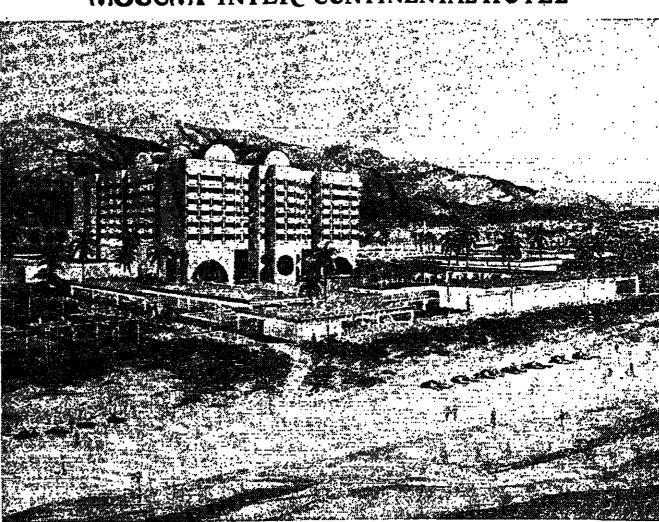
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Seeking to avoid a Zimbabwe wracked by civil war

The Rhodesian people would not

thank him if the end result of the Anglo-American settlement propo-sals was an independent Zimbabwe was an independent 2 mbabwe wracked by civil war, as happendd in Angola, Dr David Owen, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, stated at He indicated he would be having

detailed discussions tomorrow (Thursday) with Field Marshal Lord Carver when he returned from Africa and there would be a debate in the House on Friday on the Rhodesian sanctions order. Mr Malcolm Rifkind (Edinburgh, Pentlands, C) said in the exchanges—There is in reality no more prospect of integrating the terrorist forces with the Rhodesian security forces than there would be of integrating the IRA with the Royal Ulster Constibulary. Any prospect of progress must concentrate on settlement between the internal government, led by Mr Swith, and the internal African nationalist leaders.

Dr Owen (Plymouth, Devonport, Lab)—No. I think that is rather a feeble statement. If he thinks this complex problem can be likened to that therefore the complex problem. that other complex problem, Ire-land, then he is cheapening both

Mr William Van Straubenzee Mr William Van Straubenzee (Woldingham, C)—Will he at least not close his mind on the sensible point raised by Mr Rifkind? If Lord Carver on his return does advise the Foreign Secretary that some movement in this direction is necessary, will he make clear that he will be receptive to advice in that direction?

Dr Owen—I am openminded to any solution in Rhodesia and will listen to anyone. I have not a closed mind. What I have to bring about is a peaceful, negotiated solution.

neither of whom have won or lost, and both of whom have to be brought together in a ceasefire. Mr Jonathan Aitken (East Thanet, C).—What progress has Lord Carver made in reconciling the serious differences between those African leaders with internal support, Bishop Muzorewa and Mr Sthole, and those with external support, Mr Nkomo and Mr Mugabe?

support, Mr Nkomo and Mr Mugabe? Until these differences are conciled there is not much hope of a solution.

or a solution.

Dr Owen—One of the things which has bedevilled the problem of Rhodesia is the division of opinions between the African nationalist leaders. There are at least four people who could be presidential candidates among black leaders. But it is not so simple as external and internal support. Mr
Nkomo has got internal support
atthough he is not inside Rhodesia.
Bishop Muzorewa and Mr Sithole
would claim—and I have little
doubt that they are claiming it
accurately—that they have support
among the liberation forces. I
think that is true. Mr Andrew Faulds (Warley, East, C)—The disbandment of Smith's

C)—The disbandment of Smith's so-called security forces is one of the main problems. When Smith's forces have been dismissed, paid off or what the hell, the formation of contingents containing forces of his regime and the liberation forces together under Commonwealth officers might be the way to solve this problem. Dr Owen-Some form of integra-tion of the forces will be necessary when Zimbabwe reaches independ-ence; that is what we are talking about when we talk of the Zim-

babwe national army. I can say to those who find the concept difficult, and there must be few who do not find it difficult, that I do not claim that it will be easy. That sort of reconciliation must take place if those currently

Mr Jeremy Thorpe (North Devon, L).—Unless the warring factions are integrated whatever semiement is subsequently arrived at will be an open invitation, if Angola is any experience, to civil war. Integration is crucial to any future settlement.

Dr Owen—I agree. The threat of civil war in a post-independence situation is every bit as much a part of my anxieties as a breakdown of law during transitional period.

The House and the Rhodesian people would not thank me if the end result was an independent Zimbabwe wracked by civil war, as happened in Angola. I hope the House will look at the complexity of the issue of the complexity of the complexity of the issue of the complexity of of the issues and look at the paral-lels with Angola, where outside forces have also come in.

Mr Phillip Whitehead (Derby, North, Lab)—As Zambia are reported to be urging Lord Carver to drop the proposed elections in the interim period, can the Government not reaffirm that such elections held under universal sufelections, held under universal suf-frage as specifily as possible, are the best possible estimate of the relative strengths of all those who must collaborate and work together in order to ensure a free and prosperous Zimbobwe? Dr Owen—An essential ingredient of the Anglo-American initiative is that it would be put to the people of Rhodesia the choice of who is going to be president and who is going to form a government in an independent Zimbabwe.

While the nationalist leaders remain as divided as they are, I see no other way to resolve the problem of the leadership. We therefore firmly stand by the basic proposition that there must be fair elections during the transitional particle.

endangered by multiple unreason-able attempts to modify them? Will he take a harder line on this with the tasks a nancer are on this and particularly resist any suggestions that the transitional security arrangements should be handled by the guerrillas or the white Rhode-

Dr Owen—One of the crucial things about the arrangements for the law and order situation is that both the liberation forces and the Rhodestan defence forces come under the command during the transitional period, of the resident Commissioner-designate and there-fore come under a unified com-mand structure.

I agree that we can look at modifications and widening the areas of agreement but once we start to unstramble the package we get into the usual situation that everyone takes that which they can agree on and rejects that which they cannot accept. There is not ever going to be total agreement about a negotiated settlement. We have to produce a fair and reasonable compromise and the Government's White Paper

Mr Michael Brotherton (Louth, C)—The chances of a settlement would be very much easier if the Government stopped giving aid to those who help and succour terrorists who murder and destroy black and white Africans alike, (Conservative cheers.)

Dr Owen—I agree, if we were giving aid of that sort. (Conservative interruptions of "You are".) I suspect it is the aid programme to Mozambique that is being referred to. That aid programme is not going to succour guerrilla. forces inside Mozambique. The way the projects are organized and

Mozambique, Zambia and Bots-ward, all three countries bordering on Rhodesia, are crucial to any sentement. One of the points of any ceasefire that is going to have to be negotiated is that the guer-rilia cumps in those countries are going to have to be wound up. It is no good having a ceasefire if they are simply going to stop there.

These three particular front line presidents are of great importance in any settlement. I have not found President Machel unreceptive to the basic ingredients we put for-ward in our settlement.

Mr John Davies, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Knutsford, C)—There is widespread suspicion in the area that it is the Government's purpose, despite the expressions in the White Paper, to seek to impose a solution upon the Rhodesian people, discriminatorily preferring the Patriotic Front to the proper course of democratic elections in Rhodesia itself.

Would he take this opportunity to renounce any kand of inclination of this land in order to silence those suspicions? Dr Owen—Only a fool would deny that there are suspicious. They are not as widespread as that, but they are there and real. I take this opportunity to say that we have no intention whatever of imposing a solution. We cannot do so because of the impitations of the British Government's power in

We can try to produce a bego-tisted settlement, we can help to bring people together, but in the last analysis they have got to want to come together. If they will not, if they will not compromise, we will not get a negotiated settlement and conflict will cominue. I have never made any secret of the difficulties that confront the Government, but we stand firmly by the White Paper.

Home Secretary urges firemen to reconsider strike action: plans to protect life and property

by Mr M Secretary. He could understand, he said.

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I ask the members of the union to weigh the benefits to them of what is on offer and the disasters and tragedies which may be the consequence of a strike.

Mr Rees (Leeds, South, Lab) said that the Secretary of State for Scotland (Mr Bruce Millan) and he scottand (an struce minar) and he met representatives of the employers side of the National Joint Council for local authorities fire brigades and of the union

yesterday.
We reaffirmed (he said) that
there could be no question of any
settlement with effect from
November 7 which was not within November 7 which was not within the limits of the Government's gui-delines on pay. We made it clear again that the Government recog-nized the need to establish a for-mula for determining fire service

procedures to achieve this. We said again that the Government would closely follow discussion on this subject in the National Joint Council, though the phasing of any further pay increase would have to be considered in the light of circumstances prevailing at the time. We also repeated that the Government recognized that there We also repeated that there was a long standing claim for a reduction in the 48-hour working week of the firemen and would now be prepared for a reduction in working hours to be negotiated.

It would not be possible to implement any reduction before the outcum of 1978 although preparation, including the recruitment of additional firemen for training, could begin before then.

It is the Government's duty to do all that it can to protect life and property in the situation which faces us. We have made preparations to this end. Plans have been prepared by central Government.

tions to this end. Plans have been prepared by central Government and by fire authorities, with the Services and will be ready to put into operation on November 14.

Emergency fired appliances are being made available to fire authorities and Servicemen are being specially trained to man them. With this assistance fire authorities will provide the best possible fire cover.

We are issuing guidance through We are issuing guidance through

government departments and local authorities on the precantions to be taken in factories, schools, hospitals, old peoples' homes and so on, and we shall issue advice to the public about precautions to take in their homes. I understand that similar arrangements would be made in Northern Ireland should that he arrangements.

fire service are incalculable.
In conclusion, I recognize how much we all depend on the fire service, and on the willingness of service, and on the willingness of its members to turn out at the call of duty, and face the difficulties and dangers their work involves. I share the wish of the Fire Brigades Union and its members to see their pay based on a formula which recognizes their value to the community. I want to see discussions of that and of a reduction in the working week pressed forward.

I can understand that firemen

I can understand that firemen feel that they have waited a long time. None the less, I ask them, even at this late date, to think again.

An immediate increase of 10 per cent in earnings is on the table. Firemen will share in the benefits that will come to all of us from the maintenance of the guidelines on

pay.

The discussions on a pay formula and on reduction of the working week hold out for the first time, great and long looked for promise for the future. I ask the members of the union to weigh the benefits to them of what is on offer and the disasters and tragedles which may be the consequence of a strike. Mr William Whitelaw, Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Penrith and the Border, C)—If also any further negotiatious fail to produce agreement and the strike takes place we will support any measures which the Government consider necessary for the protection of the public. Can be assure us that all efforts will be made to ensure that the emergency 999 teleensure that the emergency 999 tele-phone system will continue to operate?

Mr Rees—There are a number of aspects, where 999 telephones go through the police switchboard, and so on. It may vary in different parts of the country. I shall be issuing a circular to authorities about various aspects. I have an operations centre in the Home Office. It is the local authorities who are responsible. It is not a national responsibility. The point he raised is one of many. We expect that all of this will be attended to if in different ways. attended to it in different ways.

Mr James Sillars (South Ayrshire,
Scot Lab)—The best possible fire
cover cannot provide the alternative to that we get from a highly
trained, professional, skilled fire
service. Unless an increased offer
is forthcoming the men will hit the
streets in a bitter mood on Monday

His commitment to the police demonstrates that not only is the 10 per cent limit ton statutory, but also flexible. Will be recognize that firemen are a very special case? They have to go into buildings which everyone else is desperately trying to escape from.

A call to the Fire Brigades
Union and its members to think
again about the strike proposed
for next Monday was made
by Mr Merlyn Rees, the Home

In conclusion. I recognize how

and it is one of the most importaweek. That commitment we allowed to go through the NJC. and it is one of the most important for the fire service for more than 25 years. I hope they will think about this carefully.

Mr John Pardoe (North Cornwall. L)—Whatever the delays and frustrations suffered over a long period by firemen in their demands, the Government's propodenants, in Sove matter problems are fair and reasonable. Although withdrawal of labour may literally mean death, he has no alternative but to stand firm, and the House must support him in his last minute appeal to the better nature of the firemen.

Mr Rees—Whatever is going to happen is incalculable. At the end of the day I do not believe that despite what they said at the conference, people are going to sit back and watch people die. That is not the first corrier. I have known not the fire service I have known for the last 10 or 15 years. But if that is the way it is going to be I must take every step I can to save life.

Whatever & looks like now in the the late to the first of the first of the forest of the right steps and to the local authority whose local responsibility it is—but on those who are the cause of it, that too will be incalculable in a developing situation. Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—It is better to get arcund the table with almost continuous session rather than strike. Even at this late hour I ask M Rees to intervene, intervene and intervene, until a settlement is reached, otherwise we will bare loss of life, which neather the firemen nor anyone else wams.

Mr Rees—Negotiations are the best way through. At the end of the day to negotiate, when frightful thinas will have happened, is the wrong way to set about it. We have m take loto account not only the firemen and policemen, but the good of the community as a whole. The dangers of what would happen if one gave in are far greater to the community.

Sir John Edem (Bournemouth. men nor anyone else wants. Sir John Eden (Bournemouth. West. C)—Will be see that fire authorities in conjunction with the relevant military units, identify special areas of high risk, and particularly places where elderly and infirm people live?

Mr Rees—Lauthorized a day or Mr Rees-1 authorized a day two ago the chief executive, the chief of police, the chief fire officer and the local army commander, to talk together about the problems to advance of making

problems in advance of making firm decisions.

As will be seen from the circular, I will issue, it is important that the social services department in allocality should play their part without laying down any hard and fast terms. It may be in old people's homes there will be a need for an extra guard during this period. Local authorities will play their part in this.

Mr Sillars was later refused leave public about precautions to take in their homes. I understand that similar arrangements would be made in Northern Ireland should now stands the same in all cases. At their conference this year the With the best that all of us can without laying down any hard an an under no illusions that they can match the fire cover provided by the regular fire service. Theref

Advantages in having three more in EEC

Dr David Owen, Secretary of State or Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, declared his unequivocal support for enlargement of the FEC from nine to 12 member states and said that out of this might come an opportunity to reopen discussions on some of the Community's work which had been the community's work which had been

Community's work which had been unsatisfactory.

The had told Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) that negotiations were in progress on Greek accession and added: The procedure under the treaty is that the Portuluses and Spanish applications have been referred by the Council of Foreign Ministers to the Commission and their opinion is typected early in 1978.

Mr Arnold—Have the Soanish We Arnold—Have the Spanish sked for a transitional period of to 15 years and is this not reasonable?

Or Owen-Their Prime Minister made clear that they were looking for a normal transitional period. If this is to be achievable is difficult to say until we see the Commission's assessment.

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Nobody could doubt that the
Community, in making a decision
to enlarge, will face some formidable problems of adjustment, not
least in economic matters and the
whole question of common agricultaral produce from the Mediter-Roger Monte (Faversham, C)-

Mr Roger Monte (Faversham, C)—
There is widespread agreement for
the Prime Minister's letter to the
General Secretary of the Labour
Farty that there will be less danger
of an over-tempralized, overlureaucratic and over-harmonized
Community with 12 members.
Will Dr Owen confirm, thereive, his full support for the principle of the earliest membership of
Spain, Portugal and Greece and
that there will be no question of
any pre-membership preparatory
period for Spain?

Dr Owen—i declare my uncouive-

ce! support for enlargement from one to 12. This is crucially impor-unt to buttress the democratic and political elements for which the Community stands most strongly of all.

There are criticisms of the

of the Commons drew attention to the harmonization of doorstep salesmen in the Nine. It is that sort of harmonization and over-of harmonization which people— past critics and also supporters of entry—unite in condemning as un-

catry—unite in condemning as unnecessary.

Mr Bouglas Hurd, an Opposition spokesman on Europe (Mid Oxon, C)—Is Dr Owen agreeing with us that, contrary to the impression given in the Prime Minister's letter, he sees crilargement nut as a way of weakening the Community but as an opportunity to reopen and discuss again some of the methods of working of the Community which have proved unsatisfactory? Dr Owen—That is one of the appett which night come out of relargement. Some believe one though look at the Community's facilities making attructure and insign toos, at the Community's decision making structure and eithers at the whole CAP. But we hould treat evingement applications in their merits and not collar noment and believe this will

strengthen the Community. But it will change it. Twelve will be different in political shape, structured and content from nine.

Problems of rural pharmacies

State 1:0 Social Services, in a service reply, said: I am aware that some rural pharmactes, partithat some rural pharmacies, participally those which dispense small humbers of prescriptions, lave been facing scrious problems. In late, I proposed to the Pharmaceuscal Services Negotiating Committee that NHS remuneration should be paid on a differential scale which would improve the instance of smaller pharmacles and officed to provide £5m over two pears to assist the transition.

I estimate that 70 per cent of all plarmacies, including most of pharmatics, including most of those serving regal communities, would benefit under my proposals. Some pharmatics would get an im-mediate knowase of over \$1,200 a year. On November 1 the PSNC sent me counterproposals which I

Information reaching Mr Prior that latest productivity deals are not genuine

Mr James Prior, chief Opposition panies obtaining grants in the despotesman on employment (Lowestoft, C), resuming the debate on the motion for an address in reply to the Queen's Speech. moved an Opposition amendment regreting that the Speech contained no proposals for creating the long-term business confidence essential to reduce unemployment and create prosperity in which all could share.

He said he hoosed the figures of

He said he hoped the figures of unemployment in society generally but particularly among young people would have the capacity to shock the House today and shock the country into doing something about it. The complacency of Labour MPs and ministers on the subject was hauscaring. What attitude did they think they would be taking if they were the Opposition when

level?

level?

It was only because Brimin's productivity and competitive position had deteriorated so much in the past three years that the level of unemployment was not much higher. He remembered Labour castigating the Conservatives for 13 wasted years. The past three and a half years had not just been wasted; they were shameful years in the history of this country. (Loud Conservative cheers.)

What has been happening in the What has been happening in the last three years (he said) is that we have priced ourselves out of jobs. We have become less and less competitive and we are now in a posinon where we cannot even supply our own markets, whether with cars or coal. So far from going back to the position of the autumn or winter of 1973 we are in a far worse competitive position than at that time.

moment.

The Covernment must take swifter action to prevent dumping. This country had always been too slow in stopping other people exporting their unemployment here. He was not suggesting protectionism but if one talked to any industrialist about what Japan was doing there was no doubt the British Government ought to be much quicker in taking action.

Educationists must be made to

quicker in taking action.

Educationists must be made to realize they had a responsibility for the manner in which young people were prepared for employment. They could not go on with the situation in which over the next few years so many young people would be so ill-trained for genting a job.

Nearly every small businessmen in the country believed that the Employment Protection Act stopped him from taking on addiunemployment was at its present in the country believed that the Employment Protection Act stopped him from taking on additional labour because he did not know what the future was.

Shere were a great many people who if tax was much reduced would be content to do one job and not go off moonlighting each might. Then there would be more jobs available for others.

If Labour had had more sense of responsibility there might not have

If Labour had had more sense of responsibility there might not have been four wasted, shameful years. So when the Prime Minister called for a national effort and for everyone to stand firm with the Covernment, that Government first had to show that they deserved the confidence of the House and the country. They had not done anything yet to deserve it.

that time.

All the information reaching him was that the productivity deals going on were not genuine productivity deals going on were not genuine productivity deals in which the Covernment had been able to exonerate themselves from having to take action.

There was a strong case for a different attitude towards companied to take action.

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There was no quarrel between the Secretary of State for Education and Science, himself, and the commission. The programme, if the proposals were accepted by the Government, would be adminished been looking into means of tred by a network of area boards comprising representatives of employers, trade unions, local authorities and voluntary organizations.

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industry and so cut unemployment would have to take account that the size of the country's labour force was increasing by about 140,000 a year and that this would continue for some years. This growth meant that the country would need 1,400,000 extra jobs by 1981 to bring unemployment down by 600,000. Unemployment (he sakd) is not going to come down as quickly as we once hoped though in many ways the prospects have improved.

The Government were going to have to devise numerous schemes for the relief of unemployment. Jobs had to be saved with schemes Jobs han to be saved with schemes such as the temporary employment subsidy and the small firms employment subsidy. The Manpower Services Commission helped by the careers services worked with the Government on schemes such as the work experience programme which made an important contribution.

Those schemes had helped 300,000 people a year, who would have been unemployed. Over £400m a year was being put into running those schemes.

There had been misleading press reports to the effect that there were differences of opinion between ministers and the Manpower Service Commission over arrangements for the youth opportunities programme. There had been allegations that the programme would be run by civil servants and that those concerned and interested in the problem would not be involved. None of that was true. Detailed arrangements had not yet been

lated by the MSC so there was little excuse for the Government or the board being misrepresented on that. The area boards would have to work in close cooperation with the careers service. His discussion with the commission had included a proposition which would ensure that the careers service was repre-sented at all meetings of the

The boards would be under instruction to allocate the money to areas in proportion to the size of local youth unemployment in those areas. There would be no discretion for the boards on that. There would be no cuestion of Below the level of boards, the commission would be stimulating the formation of a whole senies of local committees. There would be many of them in each board area,

and they would be necessary as a forum and an arena for the many who had a contribution to make. Many would be concerned with this if it was to be successful. this if it was to be successful.

An essential difference between the job creation scheme approach and the youth opportunities programme was that every project under title latter had to be one which would provide the means of training young people in work skills to produce something worthwhile. It was a more challenging concept.

the press over the last week. It has done nothing to help us reduce unemployment among young

Liberals want campaign for young people

There are criticisms of the Community in its existing form about over-tentralization. That exists and Peebles, L.) said the most over-tentralization. That exists and Peebles, L.) said the most clear that with 12. Inter some would not what for that for the for that for the formulation which some for the formulation of the fo

toral chances.

The climate had to be changed.

The Government could not do it because they were hamstrung from behind and in any case, they did not want to do it. The first perority of a Conservative Government would be to lower taxation on corniers, control and savings to

women and these would hold up economic recovery.

The recovery could come leaving behind an appalling residue of young people with no prospect of ever obtaining continuous employment. Already there were too many of these unskilled roungsters who were in danger of becoming the legion of the lost unless action was taken now.

The Liberals had put to the minister a proposal that there should be an all-party campaign to persuade employers to take on more young people.

A great contribution could be

There was nothing of the nobility there shown by one of the Prime Minister's highly respected predecessors. (Conservative shout of "Wilson" and laughter.) That predecessor, for the sake of Britain's vital interests, was prepared to round on his party and say ha was prepared to fight, fight and fight g in.

Hight g in.

What we have today is just fix, fix and fix again. The electorate will fix him, whatever he does now, whether he has devolution or not and whenever he goes to the

would be to lower taxation on carnings, capitri, and savings to get the economy moving upwards again to create more jobs.

The Secretary of State for Education (Mrs Shirley Williams) trots ted off from her ministry to join the picket line at Grunwick just to keep in favour with the left. To turn up there was the symbol of the left.

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The Secretary of State for Education (Mrs Shirley Williams) trots the picket line at Grunwick just to know they where they were with him in the end, because they oever believed a word he said.

I have a feeding (he went on) it may take a longer time with Mr Callaghan because the camondiage in tringing to an end some distinct the conservative Party. (Conservative Interruptions.)

To deal with unemployment more severe than had been known became Prime Minister to show he since the 1930s, and hitting more severely than anything that had been

House (Ebbw Vale, Lab), said one of the strates he could do for the Opposition was to see if it was possible to reconcile some of the differences they themselves had expressed in this deban. They had seemed to suggest that the way they would deal with problems in the future and the way they would unity and consolidate the louservative Party was to make a pledge never again to take the kind of measures they took between 1970, 1973 and 1974.

There were many people in the

There were many people in the country who were glad to hear it. The difficulty from Mrs Thatcher's point of view was that it did not seen to reconcile her with Mr Heath who took a different view about these matters altogether. He would not take advice from Conservative mps about how they should bring industrial disputes to an end because he had succeeded in bringing to an end some disputes that had been started by the Conservative Party. (Conservative interruptions.)

To deal with unemployment more severe than had been known since the 1930s, and hitting more parts of the country more severely

pute with them but because he wished to return to the back benches. He had intimated that to the Government two to three weeks ago.

The power workers had held our an olive branch. It was incredible that the bosses of a nationalized industry could not accept it and instead had been adamant that they would not pay for these days of working to rule.

He had been in touch today with the secretary of the unofficial committee. The Yorkshire shop stewards in the power industry were recommending a total snoppage, a most serious situation.

These men had leaned over backwards to come to some sort of

'Strategy of amnesia and low expectations' Mr Francis Pym, Opposition spokesman on House of Commons affairs and devolution (Cambridgeshire, C) and the electoral strategy of the Labour Party rested on two planks: amnesia and low expectations, If the Prime Minister in the country's could persuade the British people to forget what his Government had done and persuade the people that the country's economic alls were part of the natural order of things, then Mr Callaghan could see a glimmer of hope for Labour's election. There was nothing on the nothing more than a Labour leader. They were incapable of the Council and Leader of the Council and Leader of the Government House (Ebbw Vale, Lab), said one of the services he could do for the Opposition was to see if it was possible to recoache some of the Council some of the matural order of things, then Mr Callaghan could see a glimmer of hope for Labour's election. There was nothing more than a Labour leader. Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the Council and Leader of the Government had to be taken on an international scale. That was swhat the remaining more than a Labour leader. Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the

had to be taken to deal with youth unemployment.

There must be a proper reflation of the economy as speedily as possible, and to achieve that the Government had to ensure that reflation could take place in a manner that did not recreate inflation. It was because Labour were determined to carry out those policies and because the country could see that they were able to so then had the greatest support from the country. The Government proposed to carry through the policies they had dscribed, to defeat inflation and ensure the industrial renovation of ensure the industrial renovation of the country.

They looked forward to a lively session. They would carry through all the measures they had in the Queen's Speech, and some more.

The Opposition amendment was rejected by 272 votes to 299—Government majority, 27. The motion for an Address in reply to the Queen's Speech was agreed to.

House adjourned, 10.44 pm.

would have to be curtailed. And whatever arguments there might be for the closed shop in industrial terms in ordinary industries, there was no room for a closed shop in journalism. Its introduction would journalis.n. Its introduction would lead to some form of censorship.
We expect journalists (he said) to have the right to join the National Union of Journalists, or neither if they prefer. We would expect to see that editors are given complete freedom from proprietor or trade union pressures. We expect to see, outside contributors have their rights of access fully recognized. It is only if we find the Secretary of State laying a charter in these terms that my party would feel possible to support it.

The Earl of Liverpool, in a maiden

The Earl of Liverpool, in a maiden

speech, said some people believed that whooping cough vaccine should be withdrawn because they thought the existing strain of the disease was less severe than 25 years ago, and because the vaccine did not give absolute immunity. did not give absolute immunity.

Others argued that the vaccine gave protection and the risks to a few children were outweighed by the benefits for the many. He thought the vaccine should be withdrawn pending discovery of a more stable serum or vaccine, and the Government should give more gramme.

gramme.

Lord Soper (Lab) said that as president of the League Against Cruel Sports be looked in vain in the Queen's Speech for any information about the prospect on hare coursing.

Coursing.

Lord Chitpls, in a maiden speech, said the Government should set a lead in being prepared in all reasonable cases to consider ex-prisoners for employment. It was only too easy for a private employer to refuse to countenance the employment of ex-offenders in any caparity whatever if the Government did the same.

Lord Houghton of Sowerby said he believed in a second chamber no matter what the Labour Party conference might sty. He would never wote for the sholition of the House of Lords. He preferred to be able to vote for reform of the Lords with greater support for the powers that had already been given to it.

in it.

Lord Ferrier (C) said the disgraceful action of the Broadcasting
Staffs Association in blacking out
the televising of the opening of
Parliament by the Queen was more
than an outrage and more than
sabotage.

It was an action which amounted to contempt of the constitution. He hoped this occurrence would be strenuously opposed and thowe responsible punished if that was possible. possible.

What happened on Thursday

only went to indicate that they
must be aware because the vandels

were at the portcollis. Lord Ragian (Lab) said they should be trying to do away with boundaries in Britain instead of facing two Bills presenting them in parliamentary language with ghosts from their warlice past. If the devolution Bills became law they would exacerbate differences which need not exist.

Lord Inglewood (C) said whatever the public may read in newspapers, and however many policemen they might see on their television, screens, there were ever fewer police parrolling areas in which they lived.

Lady Phillips (Lab) said the police were not only lacking in new recruits but were losing trained personnel daily. It was always wrong to disregard the reasonable demands of those who worked in the service of the community merely because they carried on doing their job and were not holding incomments. ing innocent people to ransom. order it deserved. They must srop knocking authority and give it full

Lord Wilson of Langside said the tide of public opinion in Scotland was turning slowly but surely against the Government's devolution proposals. The judgment of the people in this regard was sound and the Government's proposals were unsound. posals were unsound. If the expectations for improved

government were disappointed so inevitably the pressure for the end-ing of the union would build up and could become irresistible.

This is the wrong way of making constitutional legislation. It is a short-sighted way, and it is a way which eventually will be brought to book.

What was required was recogniwhat was required was recogni-tion that the battle against crime must be regarded as one of the highest national priorities. In this situation the police descrived and required the firm and resolute backing of both Parliament and the

House adjourned, 8.7 pm. Parliamentary notices

Today at 5: Concinsion of debate the Obsen's Speech, Subject: Dete-and foreign Limber.

London to get 25 more court rooms in effort to reduce trial delays

House of Lords
Courts at all levels were rightly taking Increasingly serious views of violent offences, Lord Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chancellor, said when home affairs were discussed in the resumed debate on the Queen's Speech.

He said strenuous efforts had been made to speed up trials, but the number of cases awaiting trial had risen from about 8,000 in 1974 to no less than 16,000 in September this year. Delays and potential injustice resulting from delays were at inescapable consequence of this backlog.

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Waiting times between the date of commital to trial, and the trial itself varied from about nine weeks in the Midlands, Oxford and Western circuit, to an average of 29 weeks in London. Those people in cusnody in London were likely to writ an average of 15 weeks before their trial.

There was some evidence that the alarming rate of sucrease in cases coming forward might be diminishing, but the number rose between 1972 and 1976 by more than one third.

He continued to plan new courts and to recommend the Queen to appoint more circuit judges and recorders, as well as fostering every effort to streamline court procedures.

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procedures.

In the next 12 months a crash programme was being planned to provide 25 new court rooms in London.

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There were still significant relationships between crime and social deprivation. It was therefore good to note in the Queen's Speech that a Bill would be introduced to renew and revive inner urban areas. The condition in some of the inner urban areas had been aggravated by the considerable influx of immigrants into them. Full and disturbing advantage had been naken of these circumstances by the National Front.

There was a great need to foster harmony between all people kwang in the British Isles and to do so by beginning with the principle that all men and women whatever their colour who were citizens in this country should have equal rights under the law.

Conterning legislation for the session, of most immediate interest was the reform of matrimonial proceedings in magistrates' courts. The Government intended to infroduce legislation which would implement the Law Commission's recommendations on how this could be done.

plement the Law Commission's recommendations on how this could be done.

Lord Ferrers, for the Opposition, said fear over law and order was one of the most fundamental problems facing the nation.

We call ourselves a compassionate society the said. The fact is we are a selfish, self-orientated and a frightened society. It is time we stopped congratulating ourselves on being what we manifestly are not.

we stopped the transmissing out.

When two hundred malificat people throughout the world are denied the pleasure of watching the State opening of Parliament on television can anyone deny, however good the case may be, that is anything but a selfish act?

When towns and cities were plunged into darkness, businesses forced to a half, when people were literally terrified of walking home in the dark, and when patients had to be sewn up by torchlight, however good the case might be, could anyone deny that was anything other than a selfish act?

If the best of the freedoms which society had given to the individual was going to permit a raturn to the case of the freedoms which was going to permit a return to the era of the footpad then they might find that in the interest of

Lord Mackie of Benshie (L) said the Scotland Bill was a great im-provement on the last one. It pro-vided a basis which would satisfy the people of Scotland. The Scot-rish assembly would need represen-tation of some sort in Brussels. because its members knew best the because its members knew best the needs of Sociand and could put their case far better than the West-minster government.

minster government.

The Earl of Mansfield, for the Opposition, said the best thing that could happen with Scottish Nationalism was for an enormous oil field to be discovered in the Western approaches. Then less nonscuse would be talked.

Do not ler it be said the went on that the Opposition think there is no room for a measure of devulation, in the right manner and in the right time, but not passed in an over-hasty way, hoping that at the next general election, a number of seast which are traditionally held by certain MPS of a particular persuasion will continue to be so held.

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which eventually was be brought to book.

Lord Harris of Greenwith, Minusticer of State, Home Office, said that ter of State, Home Office, said that the reference with regard to devolution. It was proposed that the reference should be held in Scotland and Wales after the two Bulls had received Royal Assent; but before they were brought into effect.

Increasing crime was a problem of mounting concern to the British people in inst the same way as it, was throughout the rest of Europe' and the United States unless it, was throughout the rest of Europe' and the United States unless it, was throughout the rest of Europe' and the United States unless it, was throughout the rest of Europe' and the United States unless it, it is the same way as it, was throughout the rest of Europe' and the United States unless it, it is the same way it is the same way from the present difficulties.

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House of Commons.
Today at 2.30, Debate on the economic students. Payments Bill, second, spelling. second reading.

House of Lords

Carter attempt to win | Victory for support for energy cuts fails to impress

From David Cross Washington, Nov 9

President Carter's latest attempt to rally the public and, more important, sceptical mem-bers of Congress, behind his flagging energy programme has not had its intended impact. Most members of Congress, who watched Mr Carter's 20minute televised address to the

nation last night from the White House or their homes, probably agreed with the assessment of Mr Thomas Ashley, a Democrat Congressman from Ohio. He told reporters that the speech has

nor changed any".

The message conveyed by Mr Carter was essentially a re-iteration of everything he has said since he unveiled his prosaid since he unveiled his pro-posals in the spring with the dramatic unnouncement that the fight against energy waste was "the moral equivalent of war". The only noticeable difference from his recent lec-tures was a significant toning down of criticism of the oil and gas industry, which he accused last month of attempt-ing "the biggest rip-off in history".

Mr Carter made it clear that he would sign energy legisla-tion only if it were fair, if it helped energy conservation and encouraged the development of new fuel sources.

The long debate was not a contest of strength between the President and Congress, nor be-tween the House of Representa-"What is being measured is the strength and will of our nation, whether we can acknowledge a threat and meet a serious challenge together." This was a reference to the entirely different versions of his original energy proposals initially approved by the two houses of Congress. The lower

house generally went along with Mr Carter's ideas, whereas the Senate rejected most of

Members of both houses are now trying to reconcile their differences and it is this process which Mr Carter is seeking to influence. If yesterday's tortuous session of the special joint committee is any yard-stick, any compromise package will take many weeks to complete.

Much of yesterday's meeting was devoted to procedural ques-tions and yet more explanations from experts on the likely impact of sections of the energy programme. Only slightly over half the members of the committee bothered to turn up for the morning ses-

Mr Carter has been criticized in recent weeks for failing to devote enough of his time to wooing sceptics in Congress. But since his recent decision to postpone his four-continent overseas trip until after Christmas, he has been going out of his way to repair the damage. More than 20 Democratic Senators and members of the lower house were invited to the White House last night to watch Mr Carter's live television pre-sentation. Most accepted, with sentation. Most accepted, with the noticable exception of Senator Henry Jackson, who supports Mr Carter's aims, and Senator Russell Long, chair-man of the finance committee, who was largely responsible for rejecting the tax portions of the President's programme in the unper house

the upper house.
The timing of Mr Carter's address was not particularly propitious since it coincided with election day in many parts of the country. The result has been only dutiful coverage in today's newspapers.

Democrats' 'unpopular' governor

From Our Own Correspondent New York, Nov 9

Local issues invariably dominate local elections in the United States more than they do in Britain, so it is often misleading to try to discern any national trend. Yet after the clutch of state and city elections across the country yesterday, the Democrats have more cause for satisfaction than the Republi-

The most notable Democrat triumph was in the election for Governor of New Jersey where Mr Brendan Byrne, the sitting Governor, scored a substantial victory over Mr Raymond Bate man, the Republican.
Only a few months ago Mr

Byrne had the reputation of being the most unpopular Governor in the country, and long odds would have been offered against his staying in

offered against his staying in office.

The introduction of a state income tax had been his most controversial move, and Mr Bateman had promised to withdraw it. In the event, though, New Jersey voters decided that Mr Bateman's alternative proposals for raising revenue were more suspect than what they had already.

The only other state election was in Virginia, where the Republicans kept control in the person of Mr John Dalton, the Lieutenant-Governor. The posi-

Lieurenant-Governor. The posi-tion vacated by Mr Datton, however was won by a Democrat, Mr Charles Robb, son-in-law of the late President Lyndon John-

The Democrats kept control of the legislative assem-blies in both Virginia and New

blies in both Virginia and New Jersey.

Republicans made a particularly poor showing in New York, where Mr Edward Koch, the Democratic victor, and Mr Mario Cuomo, the Liberal Party contender won 92 per cent of the vote between them. Mr Roy Goodman, the official Republican, gained only 4 per cent, just beating the Conservative, Mr Barry Farber.

Democrats maintained their hold on most of the other 37 cities which elected mayors yesterday. In Cleveland, Ohio, the Republican Mayor, Mr Raiph Perk, had already been beaten in the primary election. The new resident at City Hall will be Mr Denis Kucinich, an unofficial Democrat, who narround defeated the official particular particular defeated the official particular defeate

will be Mr Denis Kucinich, an unofficial Democrat, who narrowly defeated the official party candidate. At 31, he will become the city's youngest mayor. The most spectacular success came in Raleigh, North Carolina, where Mrs Isabella Cannon won her first elective office at the age of 73. A retired librarian who campaigned on an environmentalist platform, she defeated the sitting Mayor, Mr Jyles Coggins, who Mayor, Mr Jyles Coggins, who had derided her as "a little old lady in tennis shoes." After that, she took to campaigning

of the strikes issued a commu-niqué which had the men

returning to work within hours.

He announced average pay increases of 34 per cent, declared that this was all the state could afford, and ordered

state corporations to start applying the industrial security law.

This left many workers with only about \$80 a month, far less

A key factor in persuading the men to return was Dr. Martinez de Hoz's explanation:

"These decisions are not liable

The minister's problem

railways lose \$700,000 daily,

and the long-term strategy is to force men into the better-paid, more productive private sector.

As the economy improves under his continued guidance,

Dr Martinez de Hoz promises corresponding wage improvements; his forecast is that they

than their demands.



New York picks bachelor mayor

New York, Nov 9

In the competitive field of New York politics, the single quality most required for success is opportunism. It is a quality that has characterized Mr Edward Koch's political career, which reached its zenith the project of the pro last night when, defeating Mr Mario Cuomo, he was elected as the city's first bachelor mayor for exactly a hundred

In 1963 Mr Koch, spotting early the liberal and anti-organization trend which was to be a feature of the sixties, became a candidate for Democratic dis-trict leader in Greenwich Village. His opponent was the formidable Carmine De Sapio, a symbol of the traditional "Tam-many Hall" leadership of the Democrats which then held

Although he was already 38 years old, Mr Koch railied to his support many idealistic young Democrats disillusioned with the leadership of the old the election.

clubhouse politicians. He won His liberal image stood him in good stead in 1968, when he

seat for 31 years. It was the district formerly represented by Mr John Lindsay, mayor of New York from 1966 to 1973.

Soon after election to Con-gress, Mr Koch found it politic to modify his liberalism. Most notoriously, he identified himself with the middle class and mainly Jewish residents of Forest Hills, in Queens, who opposed the building of low-income housing there

income bousing there. More recently, he has de-clared his support for the death penalty, in response to the fears for their safety. Law and order was a strong theme of his election campaign. He has also with the city trade unions, say-ing that he will stand out against excessive wage demands and force redundancies in de-partments which are over-

On other issues, however, he on other issues, however, he has maintained a more populist position. He is a convinced supporter of public transport, a frequent user of the declining

was elected to Congress for subway system. His mayoral what is known as the "silk car will be his first, be says, stocking district" of Manhattan since 1965 when his last car—the first Democrat to win that wore out.

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His support for public transport is in keeping with the life style which he maintains in his rent-controlled bachelor flat in Manhattan. He says he will hold on to the lease of the flat, although with the job of mayor goes the right to live in Gracie Mansion, a splerdid colonial-style building by the East river.

"I want to remember what it is like to ride the elevator and ride the subway", he explained in a television interview yesterday. "I want to remember how to take my own shirts to the laundromat. It's only when you're running along the platform to jump into the last car that you can know how bad the subway service is."

A cynic could, if he were so minded, detect a touch of opportunism here, too. This insistence on maintaining links with the people is a fashionable attitude among politicians just now, having been used to good effect by such as President Carter and Governor Brown of California

Row erupts over US Salt negotiations

Washington, Nov 9

The strategic arms limitation talks (Salt) are probably more lively in Washington than they are in Geneva, where American and Russian negotiators are hammering out the final details

of a second treaty.

If all goes well here, President Carter will get the Panama treaties out of the way just in time to join the real battle over ratifying Salt-II. If things go badly, he will have both battles on his hands simultaneously.

The latest state of the fight
here is that Mr Paul Nitze, who
conducted the Salt-I talks and

is now the main spokesman for the Committee on the Present Danger, has strongly attacked the Administration's negotiaring position. Someone (probably on Capitol Hill) gave him a detailed account of the present state of the talks in Geneva and be disclosed it last week, pub-lishing a severe critique of the American proposals at the same

Various supporters of the Administration have deplored the leak but Mr Vance, the Sccretary of State, who admits that leaks are dangerous, also concedes that they cannot be stopped. He continues to brief

stopped. He continues to brief congressional committees on the latest state of play.

The Arms Control Association contends that the missile gap which Mr Nitze so denlores does not endanger the United States.

Mr Nitze sums up his argument thus: "Once we have agreed to a three-year ban on the deployment of mobile missiles, it becomes uncertain missiles, it becomes uncertain that the ban can be eliminated

in future negotiations.
"Under the now most likely provisions of a Salt-II agreement, we run a high risk of having no B-1, no Cruise missiles adequate in numbers and range to penetrate Soviet defences, no follow-on to the aging Minureman-III and a submarine-launched ballistic mis-sile force at sea of less than 25 boats each, constituting 4 per cent of our only reliable deterrent power and thus worth enormous Soviet efforts to negate (destroy)."

He says that recent American

decisions (such as abandoning the B-1 and planning to intro-duce the MX missile in 1986)

"make it virtually impossible to maintain crisis stability, rought equivalence or to reverse presently unfavourable trends during the period of the agree-

This is fighting talk, because Mr Vance's argument, like that of Dr Kissinger before him, is that even though the Russians have more and bigger missiles. American technological superiority made up the difference and produced "rough equival-

Mr Nitze's argument about the relative strengths of the two countries' deterrents is shown in a few figures. He claims that a Minuteman-III has a payload of about 2,200lb (and as a former Deputy Secretary of Defence he should know). Each of the 550 missiles has three warheads (multiple independently targeted reentry vehicles, or MIRVs) giving 1.25m lb of

he claims that the aggregate throw-weight of Russian inter-continental hallistic missiles (ICBMs) is about 8m lb and that there are enough of them to destroy all American Minetemen. Comparisons for ICEMs without MIRVs are equally unformable. unfavourable.

Now the Arms Control Asso-

ciation people, notably Mr Jan Lodal, once a director of programme analysis for the National Security Council, and Mr Herbert Scoville, former scientific adviser to the CLA, claim that this is all irrelevant. They say that it is quite unreal to claim that all 550 Minutemen-III can be destroyed at once

They say that the technical difficulties of hitting the Minutemen are not lessened by increasing the number of huge bombs sent against them. They also claim that the B-52 is still probably capable of penetrating Soviet air defences and that the Cruise missile will do what the President claims it can do (Mr Nitze says it cannot).

It is an argument for the experts, but it is already clear that the defenders of the proposed Salt-II agreement will have some difficulty in persuading the Senate and public ing the Senate and public opinion of the usefulness of an agreement which will be pre-sented as leaving America with a "second best" defence

Mr Sadat is ready to go to Knesset itself From Edward Mortimer wounded. Israel will be sur-

Cairo, Nov 9

President Sadat said today that he was so anxious to open peace negotiations with Israel that he would even go to the Knesset, the Israeli Parliament. Speaking at the opening of the Egyptian National Assembly, the President said he would agree to any procedural demand Israel might put forward for the Concurrence of the Geneva conference,
because when I get to
Geneva neither Israel nor the
world will be able to stop me from demanding the legitimate right of the Palestinians to their independent

from being killed, or even peace conference.

From Andrew Tarnowski

Argentina's recent strike wave

was the strongest labour chal-lenge yet faced by the military

Covernment. For a few days there was confusion and crisis

in the air. Strikes are banned, but it looked as if they were

becoming widespread.

The strikes halted the rail-

ways, the capital's commuter network and its underground train system. Postal workers,

dockers, airline pilots and other

state employees were affected. For a while there was fear

of a climactic confrontation Every Argentine remembers that the 1969 riots in Cordoba which helped to bring down General Juan Carlos Ongania, were the result of austerity policies similar to those of the

present Government.

The fears proved exaggerated.
The crisis subsided quite peacefully after eight days once the military leaders showed their muscle. Indeed, the Government may have emerged strengthened, although it will have to think hard now about putting the labour movement on a legal

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fuoring.
The strikes surprised nobody,

although their spontaneity was

although their spotmaneary was impressive. They began when 40 railway signalmen walked our demanding higher pay, and then snowballed. There was no

present Government.

Bucnos Aires, Nov 9

prised when it hears me say before you that I am ready to go to the Knesset itself to discuss with them".

The emotional statement, which came near the end of a two-and-a-half-hour speech dealing with both domestic and foreign affairs, was greeted with loud applause

Mr Sadat said he had spoken by telephone to President Assad of Syria just before coming to the assembly, "and we agreed that I should visit him after I have attended to certain pressing issues". Mistrust and lack of communication bethe world if this would safethe world if the world if the world

ness to respond caused confusion. It was probably due to sympathy with the strikers' demands, even among the military regime, and to the lack of labour organizations with

Argentina's two and a half million state employees are

milion state employees are living on wages often as low as the minimum 30,000 pesos (£33) a month. This is part of the austerity policy for which Dr José Martinez de Hoz, the Economy Minister, is known as

Martinez de Hambre (hunger).

General Horacio Liendo, the Labour Minister, had recently illustrated military concern by pressing for wages to be linked to cost-of-living increases, now running at 150 per cent annu-

Without a coherent Govern-

ment response to the strikes,

some state companies nego-tiated, while others brought in

troops to operate emergency services and threatened dismis-

sals and prosecutious under the

A clear response emerged only when Dr Martinez de Hoz

returned from a European tour.

Indeed, two significant factors

to emerge from the confronta-tion are that the civilian minis-

ter provided the solution, and

the military stood by him in a

industrial security law.

Strikes force Argentine rethink

which to negotiate.

Pan Am on brink of quitting **IATA**

From Arthur Reed Madrid Nov 9 Pan American World Air-

ways, the leading United States airline, is seriously considering whether to resign from the International Air Transport Association (IATA), according to reports circulating at the association's annual meeting.

The reports are backed up by Pan American executives here who confirm that the airline is conducting a review, expected to last two months, of the advantages and disadvantages of belonging to the parliament of 110 air lines representing 85 Pan American's disaffection

with IATA over current fares policies is underlined by the fact that Mr William Seawell, the airline's chairman and chief executive officer, is absent from the Madrid meeting. The resignation by such an

influential airline as Pan American would have a disastrous effect on the future of IATA. Pan American is said to be deeply worried by IATA's public image as a high-fare fixing cartel because the air-line wants to be known as an innovator of cheap fares.

"These decisions are not liable to any negotiation or variation because of the budget situation of the state, which lacks any possibility of granting further benefits without resorting to uncontrolled monetary issue which would harm the entire population and frustrate efforts made poril now to improve the Reports circulating among the delegates here indicate that Pan American may be prepared to stay in the association if IATA gives up its traditional fare-making role and concentrates on technical and commade until now to improve the country's economy." that while maintaining full employment he is fighting to reduce inflation and the budget deficit. Most state corporations are overstaffed and bankrupt; mercial matters only.

IATA took its revolutionary

plan for restructuring its role a stage further here today by appointing a five-man commutee to review existing fares pro-cedures. The committee has been told

to report back by May, 1978, and its recommendations will be considered by a special

Big American companies sued over unequal promotion prospects

Lawsuits force firms to treat women better

From Michael Leapman New York, Nov S

The publishers of the Reader's Digest last week be-came the latest large corpora-tion to be forced by legal action to treat their women employees better. In an out-of-court settlement, they agreed to pay \$1.5m (£830,000) to 2,600 present and former female employees, to make their salaries comparable with men's. The company also undertook appoint more women to senior editorial positions.

Since the early 1970s, a number of successful suits of this nature have been brought against corporations, many of them in the communications business. In 1972, Newsweek magazine was made to appoint women as writers, editors and managers, instead of in their traditional roles as reporters and researchers.

The New York telephone

company and a number of Wall Street law firms bave similarly been forced to promote women to jobs which used to be the preserve of men. Earlier this year the National Broadcasting Company, one of the three national relevision networks, settled for \$2m in payments to 2,600 women. A similar action

Frauenfeld, Switzerland, Nov

9.--Viktor Korchnoi, the Rus-

In most of these cases the defendants have been represented by the Employment Rights Project at Columbia Law School in New York. This is a team of four lawyers (two women and two men) created in

women and two men; created in 1971 with Federal funding and with the dual role of teaching students about this aspect of the law and of representing clients

in suitable cases,

I went to Columbia and found half the team, Mrs Harriet Rabb and Mr Howard Rubin, jubilant over their victory in the Reader's Dizest case. Why, I asked, had the company settled out of court? "Because we were going to murder them", Mrs Rabb declared trenchantly. The history of the case is fairly typical. In 1972 a group of women employees met and drew up what they called a "white paper" to present to the management. It was not, according to Mrs Rabb, a list of grievances, but an attempt to open a dialogue on the treatment of women by the company. The management, however, made management, however, made no response. So the women approached the Employment Rights Project and initiated

"If they had only responded originally they might have avoided a four-year suit", Mrs Rabb said. "They never explained throughout the action why they made no response."

She believes that the eventual decision of Reader's Digest to settle out of court was not pri-marily to save the expense of a long trial, but to avoid the embarrassment of having their employment practices exposed tives of the plaintiffs, the pro-ject's lawyers had access to all the relevant records, including

salaries of the firm's est-paid people. "And there were some highly embarrassing memos", Mrs Rabb continued, "explaining why a certain woman had been hired because she would look decorative in the front office, and another as a stop-gap until a suitable man could be found. They would rather close the action than bave that humilisting stuff read out in court."

Although there are probably

several hundred sex discrimina-tion suits being contested in the United States at this moment, Mrs Rabb and Mr Rubin believe that the success of recent actions is helping to improve the amitude of manage-

ploying and promoting women. They are particularly proud of their accomplishment with the lerge New York law firms.

"Of all the industries affected by the law suits brought on behalf of women, the industry that has shown the biggest response to pressure is the law industry in the big cities", she said. In the past few years far more women

project also handles cases of race discrimination. In this, their most notable success this, their most notable success came in a suit against the New York Education Department, which was forced to appoint more blacks and Puerto Ricans as school principals and vice-

Their most important out-standing case is back in the field of sex discrimination, and is against The New York Times. There is no sign as yet that there will be an out-of-court settlement here. In Mrs Rabb's office is a four-drawer filing cabiner stuffed with material which, in her view, supports the contention that the paper discriminates against women in salaries and in

Injured Korchnoi | Eurocommunism stronger has to put off now, Señor Carrillo says Spassky match

Belgrade, Nov 9 Señor Santiago Carrillo, the

sian chess grandmaster, was in-Spanish Communist Party jured in a road accident last leader, today said Eurocomnight and will have to postpone munism was stronger than his world championship semibefore but denied assertions farel against Boris Spassky. that, in the wake of last week's Korchooi, aged 46, who defected from Russia last year, Moscow incident over a speech, suffered a broken hand and other minor injuries when a taxi in which he was travelling collided with a Swiss Army there were differences between himself and the Soviet party. Señor Carrillo, who arrived here yesterday for talks with Yugoslav Communist Party The semi-final metch against leaders, made a point of empha-sizing that Eurocommunism Spassky was to have started in Belgrade on November 15. Swiss chess officials said the two became even more of a reality after the incident in Moscow men's managers were discussing another date.—UPI. which, he said, had surprised everybody there.

Senor Carrillo, who is due to have talks with Italian Com-munist Party leaders tomorrow. said Eurocommunism has not and will not become a new Com-

and will not become a new Com-murity in the said, had its own identity and position.

Recently General Lister, another Spanish Communist who had sought asylum in the Soviet Union after the Civil War, returned to Madrid. In a speech vestarter the launched a speech yesterday, he launched a violent attack on Señor Carrillo and described Eurocommunism as "Euro-opportunism."

Asked to comment on this speech, Señor Carrillo said that General Lister, who 40 years ago was a fine soldier, now agod like a "foreign agent"

Musatoat.

Mr Quereshi was known for the deposed Prime Minister, while the publications of the other two men supported Mr Bhutto's Peoples Party.—

Regret acted like a "foreign agent." Reuter,

Detained editors set free in Pakistan

Lahore, Nov 9 .- Three Pakistani editors have been released after being held in jail under a martial law regulation which bars publication of material objectionable to the military administration.
Those released are Altas

Hasan Quereshi, editor of the monthly magazine Urdu Digest and the weekly journal Zindagi; Nazir Naji, Lahore editor of the Dailp Halat, and Syed Badruddin, editor of Museure

organization behind them be crisis. cause trade union activities Dr l remain banned. Presid Dr Martinez de Hoz obtained President Jorge Rafael Videla's Ottawa tries to play down Paris-Quebec links

But the Government's slow- endorsement, and at the height

From Our Correspondent

Ottawa, Nov 9
A complicated game diplomatic one-upmanship reems to be taking shape in relations between Canada and France following the lavish reception given to Mr Rece Levesque, Premier of Quebec,

in Paris last week.
The Canadian Government, though uneasy about what the events in Paris portend in spect to future French policy. meards Ouebec, is doing its to te play down the affair. Occasioned about it in the Commons yesterday, Mr Trunerty are more important than Trench medals.

The allusion was to President Great d'Estaing's action in mounding the French Legion of Union to Mr Lévesque at the Union to Palace last Thursday. The ceremony was one of the in points of an action-filled. bree-day visit to France by the Orther Premier, whose Parti Ouebecois Government wants take the French-speaking province out of the Canadian Confederation.
In the Commons on Monday

Mr Jean Chrétien, the Finance Minister, who was acting as Prime Minister in Mr Tru-deau's absence, told a deau's absence, told a questioner that relations between France and Canada were excellent ". He made no response to a

suggestion by a Government back-bencher that Canada should invite the leaders of the separatist parties of Corsica and Brittany to Ottawa, and encourage them to destroy the "integral sovereignty" of

Mr Chrétien and the Prime Minister were reflecting the thinking of the External Affairs Department that there is no reason for Canada to make a diplomatic incident out of the attentions showered on Mr Levesque, and thereby risk a rift with France at this point.

Mr Donald Jamieson, the Ex-ternal Affairs Minister, told re-porters that Canada will seek clarification of President Giscard d'Estaing's references to French support for Quebec, and the planned exchange of meetings between Mr Lévesque and M Raymond Barre, the French Prime Minister.

adian authorities appear satisfied, after studying a report from Mr Gerard Pelletier, Can-adian Ambassador in Paris, that however warm the welcome accorded Mr Lévesque it was not such as would be given to a head of state.

Despite the Government's resolute turning of the other cheek, the Levesque visit has clearly ushered in a new phase in relations between Canada and France, characterized by growing Canadian doubts about French intentions regarding support for Quebec separatism.
Significantly, the very day Mr
Lévesque arrived home to an emotional welcome from thousands of chering Quebeckers at Montreel airport.

thousands of cheering Que-beckers at Montreal airport, Mr Jean-Pierre Goyer, the Cana-dian Supply and Services Minis-ter, set out on a week's visit to French-speaking Africa.

Mr Goyer, appointed adviser on Francophone affairs to Mr Jamieson earlier this year, is visiting Upper Volta, Zaire and Gabon. It is his third visit to French-speaking Africa in five

At the same time, the Can-

on the English speaking Commonwealth. Mr Trudeau has discussed the idea with a number of African leaders, not-ably President Leopold Senghor of Senegal and President Omar Bongo of Gabon, and there has been some talk about a Francophone heads-of-government meeting in Ottawa by the end of 1978.

As ar as can be determined, however, Mr Trudeau has not discussed the idea with M Giscard d'Estaing, even though he has met the French President a number of times in recent

The Trudeau-Goyer initiative is undoubtedly part of a federal design to thwart the Quebec separatists internationally, especially in the French-speaking world outside France. separatists ang world outside France.

At the same time, it may be a warning signal to France that Canada, a bilingual and bicultural country, has the resources to penetrate France's African sphere of influence if France sparts interfering in Outside.

Mr Trudeau has said the prorart of his assignment is to posed. French Commonwealth help lay the groundwork for a French speaking. Commonwealth, more or less modelled anomalous." Janneau Armagnacis an ordinary French brandy like Pâté de Foie Gras Truffé is an ordinary French, sandwich-spread

lanneau Grand Armagnac
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Compensation for stolen export whisky to include excise duty

Babco Forwarding and Shipping (UK) Ltd

Before Lord Wilberforce, Viscount Dilliorne, Lord Salmon, Lord Edmund-Davies and Lord Fraser of Tullybelton

Where Parliament has incorporated into an Act of Parliament the English text of a convention on the international carriage of goods by road, English visions by looking at the English text, though giving them a broad sensible meaning which objective of producing uniformity in all contracting states. It is not states, or that said to be used by ne European Court of Justice, or seek elucidation from the equally authorizative French text. The House of Lords so held, Lord Edmund-Davies and Lord aser dissenting, when dismissing

an appeal by carriers, Babco Forcarding and Shipping (UK) Ltd. from the Court of Appeal (the Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Lawton) The finnes. December 4, 1976; [1977] QB 208), which on differing grounds had upheld an assessment by Master Jacob of the compensation to which plaintiffs, lames Buchalan & Co Ltd, were partialed for a consistent of the compensation of the compens James Bachanan & Co Ltd, were entitled for a consignment of whisky, the "current market prace" for export of which was 57,000, stolen from a lorry park in Woolwich while being carried from Glasgow to fran under a contract subject to CMR conditions. Their Lordships held that Master Jacob had correctly decided that the compensation mayable by the carriers—\$27,000—should include excise duty of \$20,000 paid by Buchanan after the tieft, and approved his interpretation of the words in article 23 14)—"other charges incurred in respect of the carriage of goods." as being, in the context of an aternational convention, wide ough to include the duty. Mr Robert Alexander, QC, and r David Johnson for Babco; Mr Sper Buckley and Mr Martin burn for Burhagan.

LORD WILBERFORCE said that the question was whether Bahco, as carriers, were liable to Buchanan, as owners and consenors, in respect of a consignment of whisky stoten in the course of transport by road in England on its way from a bonded warehouse in Glasgow via the port of Felixstowe to Iran (1) for some £7,000, representing the export price of the whisky, or (2) for some £37,000, representing that price plus £30,000 excise duty which the owners became obliged to pay to the Customs authorities. It was accepted that the contract of carriage was undertaken subject to CMR conditions—the terms and conditions contained in the LORD WILBERFORCE said that to CAR Conditions—the terms and conditions contained in the schedule to the Carriage of Goods by Road Act, 1965—which repre-sented the terms of an inter-national Convention of 1936. On the appeal liability in principle was not in dispute but the measure

able—" compensation "—was laid down in article 23 of the Con-vention: "I When, under the provisions of this Convention, a carrier is liable for compensation in respect of total or partial less of goods, such compensation shall be calculated by reference to the value of the goods at the place and time at which they were accepted for carriage. 2 The value of the goods shall be fixed according to the ... current market price or, if there is no ... current market price, by reference to the normal value of goods of the same kind and quality. ... 4 In addition, the carriage charges, Customs duties and other thinges incurred in respect of the carriage of the goods shall be refunded in full in case of total less. ... but no further damages but no further damages

Buchanan's claim was under two headines: (1) under paragraphs 1 erd 2 "the value" of the whisky was \$37,000, its duty pard value: (2) in the alternative, if "life value" was \$7,000—its value ex dary—the excise duty of \$30,000 was recoverable under paragraph 4 as some other charge "incurred in respect of the carmage of the goods". His Londship entirely agreed with the Court of Appeal in rejecting the first basis of claim. The market price, or the normal value of the whisky intended for export, was in value ex duty. In the invoices made out by Buchanan the price was an ex-duty price of \$1.62 for 12 litres, and the prices value in the invoice were certified. Buchanan's claim was under two

stated in the invoice were certified as "the current export market prices".

What was "the current market price of any commodity must depend in the first place on what depend in the first place on what was the relevant market, for there might well be more than one market: Charriegton & Co Ltd v Wooder (†1914) AC 711. The evidence was that about \$5 per cent of Buchanan's produce was experted and that the export market was a detinite market. The price of about \$7,000 was in his Lordship's opinion the only price which corresponded with reality, and acceptance of it as the price which would follow from a price which would follow from a price such would follow from a price f C37,000 if the whisky were lost transit without attracting excise dure-if, for example, it were polled so that no excise duty became due. That, on Buchanan's argument, would rield a profit for them of £30,000, for nothing in the Convention would disentile them to it if it represented the rrice. He therefore rejected the

rince. He therefore rejected the first argument.

The second was one of difficulty. Was the excise duty a "charge mourted in respect of the carriage"? The charge—upon the meners—erose under action 85 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1952—effectively because Buchanan, having held the goods in a honded warehouse and having removed them without payment of days, were unable to produce to the Customs documents of export clearance, or to avail them.

There were three routes by which it had been found possible to reach the opposite conclusion, that excise duties came within the words "charges incurred m respect of the carriage". 1. There was a gap in the Convention which could be filled by judicial decision following a "continental method" of interpretation: Lord Exemption

of interpretation : Lord Demists. or interpretation; Lord Demning.

2. That the words could be expanded in scope by hoking at the French text of the Convention:
Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Lawton.

3. That the relevant words—in English—were, in the context of an international convention, wide enough to include the duty: Master Jacob. convention, wide enough to in-clude the duty: Master Jacob. Conventions, when made part of English law, might be expressed in language texts in various ways. There might be only an English statutory text based on the con-vention, the convention isself not heing incorrected in the statute There might be a French (or other language) convention text with an English translation adopted by the English statute. There might be convention texts in two languages with or without a provision that one should prevail in case of doubt. Different principles of interpretation might apply to each case.

The 1956 Convention was in English and French, each text being equally authentic. The English text alone appeared in the schedule to the 1965 Act and was by section 1 given the force of law. Moreover, that English text seemed to have been incorporated into the contract of carriage. It might therefore be arguable that only the English text should be looked at His Lordship considered that too narrow a view to take. looked at. His Lordship considered that too narrow a view to take, given the expressed objective of the Convention to produce uniformity in all contracting states.

His Lordship thought the correct approach was to interpret the English text, which was likely to be used by many others than British businessmen, in a normal manner, appropriate for the interpretation of an international convenion, unconstrained by technipretation of an international convention, unconstrained by technical rules of English law, or by English legal precedent, but on broad principles of general acceptation: Stag Line Ltd. v Foscolo, Mango & Co Ltd. (1932] AC 328, 350, by Lord Macmilian). Moreover, it was perfectly legitimate to look for assistance, if needed, to the French text; and his Lordship did not consider there was any need, before doing so, to impose a preliminary test of ambiguity.

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His Lordship would not lay down rules as to the manner of making the reference to the French text. It was complained, by reference to the use of the French text made by Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Lawton, that there was no evidence on the meaning of the French text and that the Lords Justices were not endied to use their own knowledge of the language. There might be cases when evidence was required to find the exact meaning of a word or plurase; or other cases when even an untutored eye could see the crucial point; or cases where a simple reference to a good dictionary would supply the key: see Mr Justice Kerr in Fothergill to Monarch Airlines Lut (The Times. March 17) on "avarie" In a case like the present, when one was dealing with a manuced expression, a dictionary would not assist and reference to an expert might also be unhelpful. His Lordship could see nothing illegitimate in the court, looking at the two texts. see monute thegramate in the court looking at the two texts and reaching the conclusion that both were expressed in general or perhaps imprecise terms, so as to justify rejection of a narrow

His Lordship could not follow His Lordship could not follow the first route, which attracted the Master of the Reils. The present was not a case of a gap in the legislation. The question simply was whether the loss was to fall on the owner or on the carrier. The words used must cover the case more in one way or the The words usen must cover the case more in one way or the other; the House had to decide which; if the words were not such as to impose liability on the carrier, the owner was left to bear his loss.

his loss.

Furthermore, the assumed and often repeated generalization that English methods were narrow, technical and literal, whereas continental methods were broadgenerous and sensible, seemed to his Lordship insecure at least methe interpretation of international correntions. (His Lordship did not in the present context get assistance from methods said to be used in interpreting the Treaty of Rome by the Court of Justice of the European Communities.) We had our share of technical decisions, but his Lordship did not know that it was greater than other jurisdictions could claim: Ellermor Lines Ltd v Murray (1931) AC 125) was untypical and should no longer be followed.

English judges had been inter-

English judges had been inter-preting such international instru-ments as the Hague Rules and commercial documents for many

ments as the Hague Rules and commercial documents for many years with some success and international approbation. The CMR Convention had been accepted by more than 20 state; some of which were close to English ways of thought. His Lordship could not credit them all, or some average of them, with recognizably superior, or even different, methods of interpretation. We should, of course, my to harmonize interpretation, but, as Lord Justice Megaw pungently showed in Utster-Swift Lid v Taunton Meut Haulage Lid (1577) 1 WLR 625, 631) on this very Convention. Courts in six member countries had produced 12 different interpretations of particular provisions—so antiormity was not reached by that road. To base their Lordships' interpretation of the Convention on some assumed, and unproved, interpretation which other courts were to be supposed likely to adopt, was speculative as well to adopt, was speculative as well as masochistic.

There were already decisions on the correction which showed that there was no universal wisdom neere was no universal wisdom available across the Chamel on which our insular minds could draw. We must use our own methods, following Lord Macmillan's prescriptions, taking such help as existing decisions gare us.

The crucial words occurred in un international convention, a resport clearance, or to avail them silves of the other escape provisions in section 85. The section was valed (in subsection f3) to apply in relation to the goods "in the course of that removal"—which he Lordship took to mean chang the oerlied of the carriage. There might be said to be a difference between "during the period of carriage"; a loss might occur during the carriage and "in respect of the carriage "and "in reprod of carriage"; a loss might occur during the carriage had have nothing to do with the carriage their have nothing to do with the carriage into the them market. That was a narrow but not impossible distribution to the hearing took that view of the hteral meaning of the expression used in article 23(4).

decide that without any presum tion in favour of a "liberal incerpretation, for even if such a presumption existed, it could not help their Lordships to decide, as they must, who was to bear the loss. Whichever decision pre-vailed would be claimed as liberal by one side and illiberal by the other.

His Lordship, taking from Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Lawton the approach that the words, in this international con-vention, as both texts showed, words, in this international convention, as both texts showed, were loosely drafted and could not be expected to be applied with taut logical precision, found that the judgment of Master Jacob carried conviction. The duty, he said, became chargeable having regard to the way in which the goods were carried by Babco. "In respect of " was wide enough to unclude the way in which the goods were carried by Babco. "In respect of " was wide enough to unclude the way in which the goods were carried, miscarried or lost. His Lordship thought that that was right—and it was not answered by saying that the charge would not have arisen if the thieves had exported the goods or if the whisky had flowed away. No doubt that was true; but the fact that an exemption might have arisen did not prevent the charge which did arise from being " in respect of the carriage." The carriers' duty was to carry the whisky to the port of embarkation; their failure to do so might, or might not, bring a charge into existence. But if it did, his Lordship thought it right to say that the charge was in respect of the carriage. He would dismiss the appeal.

VISCOUNT DILHORNE, con-

VISCOUNT DILHORNE, con-curring, said that he knew of no authority for the proposition that one consequence of this country joining the European Community was that our courts should now abandon principles as to construc-tion long established in our law. The courts had rightly refused to encroach on the province of Par-liament and to engage in legisla-tion. To fill the gap which in Lord Denning's opinion existed would be "legistiation pure and simple".

In his Lordship's view the words "other charges in respect of the carriage of goods" were of the carriage of goods" were intended to cover charges not covered by the words "carriage charges". He found it difficult to believe that those who drafted the convention were not alive to the possibility that in a number of countries loss of goods during transit might expose the consignor to liability to pay large sums in duty or prevent him from recovering sums paid in tax on importation.

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The right meaning to give "in respect of " in the context in which it appeared was "in consequence of " or "arising out of ". The words would cover the charges for excise duty and tax that might in consequence of the consignor. Such a construction appeared more likely to accord with the intentions of the makers of the Convention than one exonerating the carrier.

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In reaching his conclusion his Lordship had not found it necessary to refer to the French text of the Convention. He confessed to some doubt as to the propriety of doing so when Parliament had only scheduled the English text to the Act and declared that that was to have the force of law. Lord Salmon delivered an opinion for dismissing the appeal,

LORD EDMUND DAVIES, for allowing the appeal, said that giving the words of article 23(4) giving the words of article 23(4) their ordinary reasonable meaning, he found it impossible to regard the excise duty paid by Buchanan as belonging to the class of "... charges—incurred in respect of the carriage of the goods". Even ignoring the application of the "ejustem generis" rule to the interpretation of the paragraph, his Lordahip could not fix excise duty into the genus of charges which had been "incurred in respect of the carriage of the goods", a phrase which, as Lord Demaing rightly said, would be appropriate for such charges as those in respect of "packing, insurance, certificate of quality, and so forth".

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surance, certificate of quality, and so forth ".

Excise duty, however, became exigible not simply by the failure to complete the contract properly but because thereafter the unattended goods were stolen and, the place and mamer of their disposal being unknown, it could not be shown by the consignor that (in the words of section 85(1) of the Customs and Evcise Act) "... their absence or deficiency can be accounted for by natural waste or other legitimate cause. ... "Thus it was common ground that no excise duty would have been payable had Burhanan been in a position to demonstrate that, though the goods were stolen, they never became available for sale in this country. In other words, the liability to pay the duty was in no sense incurred "in respect of the carriage of the goods"; it arose as a consequence of their laving been irretrievably lost through theft before their transit in this country was completed. Such being the case, recovery of the excise duty and was excluded by the the case, recovery of the excise duty paid was excluded by the concluding words of article 23(4) that "no further damages shall be payable".

That did not mean that blumeless consignors who dispatched goods under a contract based on the Convention could not guard against such a loss as that in the present case. Article 26(1) gave them some protection by enabling them to "fix the amount of a special interest in delivery in the case of a loss . . . by entering such amount in the consignment note". Just as it was an express term of the contract of carriage in the present case that Babco would provide insurance cover under CMR conditions up to a value of £80,000 per load, so by invoking article 25(1) Buchanan could have entered in the consignment note a declaration of special interest to cover them against fite eventuality which arose. That did not mean that blumeless

His Lordship would hold that the owners were entitled to recover no more than £7,000.

LORD FRASER, concurring in LORD FRASER, concurring in allowing the appenl, said that having read the English words without undue strictness, he thought, as Lord Denning said, that they comprehended only charges such as packing, insurance and certificates of quality—charges directly connected with the carriage. Excise duty was not such a charge. The theft put an end to the process of carriage. The end to the process of carriage. The liability to excise duty arose after the carriage had been prematurely terminated, and it arose not simply because of the termination but because the whisky had disameared. Solicitors: Ingledew, Brown,

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erally known.

Most fascinating of

The heart of this book is the The heart of this book is the annus terribilis of 1969. The Government lost its hold over-parliament with the Lords' Reform Bill (Crossman's personal dead duck); splintered the trades union connexion with the Barbara Castle Industrial Relations Bill (Crossman was an anti, like Callaghan); and Roy Jenkins played the Iron Chancellor, stacking up both the balance of payments and the odds against the return of a Labour majority in return of a Labour majority in

But, meanwhile, even twilight has its compensations. There are claret and gull's eggs at Brooks's, lunch at the Ritz ("What a pretty place") and dinner at the "lovely house" of Lady Hartwell, the wife of the owner of the Telegraph. Crossman is quite conscious of the man is quite conscious of the The greatest comedy scene

almost Buster Keaton has Crossman and Barbara Castle and their families sneaking off and their families speaking off in mid-crisis on to Charles Forte's Mediterranean yacht. Everyone has a code name. Wilson is Lion, Castle is Peacock, Crossman is Owl. The officials, however, "only forgot one thing, to make any contact with the consulate at Naples, through whom all communications had to come". munications bad to come?

Politics is a strange mixture of loneliness and gregariousness. Even on their yacht, this emerges. Crossman and Castle share a Bevanite past, and much friendship; but they're bitterly opposed to each other on policy.

When Crossman is sick in bed, only one member of cabinet (Callaghan) writes him a note. Would he have written anyone a note? And if so, with what morive?

It is not surprising that he was an infuriating colleague, and an even more infuriating boss. He was, for example, very com-mitted to Israel, and he gives here a speech in London to "all here a speech in London to "all British Jews of any distinction who care about Zionism." Yet he falls into the chubman use of "Jew" as very near to a term of insult. Solomons, the Labour MP for Hull, north, "was a very boring, elderly London Jew." Reg Freeson, the present Minister for Housing, is "that little wet Jew from Willesden."

The diaries end as the election of June 1970 puts Edward Heath

of June 1970 puts Edward Heath and Richard Crossman into jobs for which it turns out they're for which it turns out they're not entirely suited—the Prime Ministership and the editorship of the New Statesman, respectively. A certain builying manner has something to do with each of these little local difficulties. It is all a long way from the glad dawn of October 1964 and volume 1: "crowds of people josting and cheering," In due course, a non-don, a In due course, a non-don, a man without any university education at all, took over the Labour leadership.

The 2,578 pages of the three

volumes are a service to history, even if Crossman is too much the diarist to have reached his Bagehot target. But there's also a contribution to literature skula contribution to hterature skul-king among these thickets of recollection. I hope the pub-lishers have someone snipping away with scissors, for an abridged version with less admin in it.

admin in it.

It's almost as much a portrait of a dead world as Kilvert's district. On page 487, there's a footnote to explain what a half-

Paul Barker

The two previous volumes of with what moreye? the Diaries are still available:
The contradictions in Crossman are what give this volume, two at £9.50.

Agatha Christie as a voung girl

Almost all

An Autobiography By Agatha Christie (Collians, £7.95)

Agatha Christie has done it again. She has given us a book that is as wonderfully easy to that is as wonderfully easy to read and as engrossing as Ten Little Niggers or Murder at the Vicarage. And this in spite of the fact that she passes over without a word the one mystery that her long life presented, her much-publicised disappearance for nine days back in 1926.

She was I think right to say

She was, I think, right to say nothing about this. The explanation (that in considerable distresss after her mother's death and with her loved husband wanting a divorce she had a nervous breakdown) has long been available for those willing to accept a hundrum if sad answer. Sensation-seeking journalism blew the whole affair up to ridiculous proportions, and incidentally burt con-

siderably a pleasantly reticent In any case her autobiography is not a minute chronicle of every event of any importance that ever happened to her. Thank goodness. She led a fairly dull life (most authors busy at their desks do) and she knew it. But she had the talent a make of those dullish days knew it. But she had the talent to make of those dullish days something far from dull. She set out, one day in 1950 in a small room in a mud-brick house near the city of Nimrud in Iraq, where she was accompanying her second husband on an archaeological expedition, to produce "a dwelling back on those memories that stand out those memories that stand out in my mind; times, that have mattered to me, places and

if it had happened this morning if it had happened this morning. The same goes for girlbood and young womanhood in Torquay, in Paris, in Cairo, and for whirlwind romance in the altogether peculiar 1914 atmusphere of a calm and steady nation suddenly finding itself hectically at war.

Only when her yaguely

Only when her vaguely chronological account reaches the Second World War do the pages become a bit raggedy and diary-like. But all the way up to then this is a real book that says something worth hear-ing about life and the way one

person lived it.
Seldom indeed does she descend into anecdote, that bane of biography, and even then her stories are almost always at least good dinnerable stuff often salted with homely philosophy, by no means to be despised. And if she tells us little about the way she wrote the books that turned her from a not unordinary wife her from a not unordenary wife and mother into one of the best selling authors ever, well, that is largely because there is, really, little to tell.

The book is enhanced by snapshotty photographs that often make you say "Ah, so that's what he looked like" and by half a dozen colour reproductions of family portraits which are yet more revealing.

which are yet more revealing, which are yet more revealing, and jolly charming too.

In short, here is a study of that passionately interesting person an ordinary human being. It is told us by someone with the rewarding gift of vivid recall and with a fine talent for clear telling.

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The daily life of her childhood kome in late Victorian
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Father love

Philippa Toomey

Shadows on the Grass By Colin Middleton Murry (Gollancz, £4.95)

Colin Middleton Murry's first volume of autobiography, One Hand Clapping, was not only a penetrating account of a terrible marriage, that of his father, John Middleton Murry, with Ratter his third wife, but with Betty, his third wife—but also a delightful and amusing book, which left the reader book, which left the reader longing to know what happened to Colin, his sister, Weg, his half sister and brother, Mary and David, when the marriage broke up. Shadows on the Grass continues his life, interwoven with the journals his father left, and so we get both sides of the argument, and wonder again that Colin managed to survive the emotional battering of his early years.

Survive he did, moving from the loved childhood home, the Rectory, Larling, to the farm— "Conchie Farm" the locals called it—where his father's tbeories of community and service with pacifism were put into practice, severely strained by his utter lack of judgment of the character of other people. Colin escaped to the Navy, and a war service spent entirely on

the home front, though he man-aged to pick up a tropical virus since the closest I had been to the tropics was the Hawaiian Bar in Dundee this seemed both unfair and unlikely ".

Oxford followed, and then adventures in the book trade adventures in the book trade sod marriage to Ruth, who not only believed in him, but trusted him. It seems as though this love and trust, encountered for the first time, helped to improve the strained relationship with his father. Though they acknowledged that they loved each other, his father could never bring himself either to approve or to encourage, to approve or to encourage, except in a series of qualified

In a book which is often very funny, particularly about his teaching experiences, Colin Middleton Murry paints a touching portrait of his father, that extraordinary man, gifted in many ways, except for re-lationships with other people. There was one exception, and she was his fourth wife, with whom he achieved the happiness which had eluded him for so long. The book ends with the son's meditations at his father's burial in 1957, on a love which had been of the utmost importance to his son.

beautifully captured, main-tained and then heightened as this short book progresses. There is a taut quality to the

times it comes terribly close to the pretentious and the arch Miss Lash just about gets away with it, because the book

Get Down There And Die is a haunting little novel by an

Sharp has built a story of deli-cacy, humour, sadness and, above all, great style. Miss Sharp is a confident writer, because she is a true craftsman.

I keep harping on about craftsmanship, but when you see it in action like this, you realize how vital it is.

Peter Tinniswood

Storm-tossed

Churchill and the Admirals By Stephen Roskill (Collins, £8.50)

LAPY in 150

This is the story of one of the great love-hate affairs of all time, between Churchill whose ideas on seapower were romantic and frequently wrong, and a mixed bunch of sailors who had to put up with them.

Cunningham once remarked that Churchill was "a bad strategist but doesn't know it, ca in 1943. and nobody has the courage to stand up to him." That is an alarming indictment if Conningham was right, and the con-

He brought to the navy as he brought to Britain as a whole all the energy, courage and imagination that drove men forward—though not always in the right direction—and the signal "Winston is back" which ran through the fleet in 1939 on his return to power as First Lord of the Admiralty, indicated that the attraction was mutual.

of the Atlantic could have been won at least six months earlier "with far-reaching earlier with far-reaching earlier "with far-reaching earlier and indeed on the condition of post-war Europe".

But A. V. Alexander the first Lord and Dudley Pound, a sick, worn-our figure, were not strong enough to cope with Churchill—obsessed as he was attraction was mutual. arrraction was mutual.

But he was also obstinate, bullying and sometimes vindic-tive, faults which would have been less significant had his judgment of naval men and matters not been so often impaired.

It was also unfortunate that his experiences at the Admi-ralty in the First World War coloured his perceptions dur-ing the Second, and strength-ened his determination to select a First Lord and a First Sea Lord who sould be a First Sea Lord who could be manipulated. It was not until Cunningham succeeded the dying Dudley Pound as First Sea Lord in October, 1943, that a better balance was struck be-tween political and profes-sional values.

How far Churchill interfered with the conduct of naval operations as First Lord, has hecome a matter for dispute bebecome a matter for dispute between Capt Roskill and Professor Arthur Marder—who has
previously argued that Churchillian meddling was far less
than Capt Roskill states (an
appendix at the back of this
book is devoted to this academic fracas). But his close
involvement when Prime
Minister is generally accepted.

It is however his strategy which is most ruthlessly examined here. He was for instance "wildly wrong" in the Far
East, where he totally misjudged both the danger from
Japan and the vulnerability of

Singapore, and took decisions which destroyed "not only Britain's position in the entire area but that of other European powers as well."

He is also castigated for his share in the 1941 disasters in Greece and Crete, where the attempt to defend Greece probably delayed the clearance of the German and Italian armies from North Africa for up to two years; for his "addiction to capturing islands wherever Admiral of the Fleet Lord they were, which wasted unningham once remarked resources; and for his acceptance Chunchill was "a bad since of the "unconditional surrender dogma" at Casabian-

The most serious misjudg-ment of all, however, was his determination to bomb Germany justeed of concentrating ingham was right, and the conclusion drawn from this latest study must be that he was.

"My heart is in the Admiralty" Churchill confided to Lloyd George in 1918, and it was both the navy's fortune and misfortune to be courted by such a virile politician who would rarely take no for an answer.

In any instead of concentrating upon securing the sea lanes. Admiral W. J. Whitworth, Second Sea Lord, in a letter to cumingham, described the Admiralty's battle with the Air Ministry as "much more savage than our war with the hums". Had the Admiralty's priorities been accepted, concludes Capt. Roskill, the battle of the Atlantic could have been won at least six months.

measures.

It is hard not to feel desperately sorry for Pound, afflicted by osteo-arthritis and aged by smain. A naval captain, recounting a naval staff tain, recounting a naval staff meeting in June, 1940, wrote: "After a not very long time I noticed that Pound was drooling down the stem of his pipe—not just a drop, for I was at least five yards away. He may have not been asleep, but he was quite 'out for the count'"—and the meeting was continued as if the Chief of Staff had not been there. But he was admirably loyal to Churchill, and his unselfish assumption of blame for the loss of the Prince of Wales and the Repulse might be contrasted to Churchill's reaction—which was to look trasted to Churchill's reaction—which was to look for a scapegoat.

for a scapegoal.

This must be by definition something of a "bitty" book, tracing as it does one strand of a complicated story throughout Churchill's long association with the Navy. But it is still a hugely readable, fascinating study, full of scholarship and personal insight on the interplay of human character.

Henry Stanhope

Also just published: Winsten Churchill, the Companion Volume IV. 1917-1922, by Martin Gilbert (Heinemann, E27), the documents and letters that were used in the fourth volume of the official biography.

Reviews next week: Michael Ratcliffe on A History of Rhodesia by Robert Blake; William Haley on Lermontov by Laurence Kelly; Louis Heren on V. S. Naipaul's India; H. R. F. Keating | Susan Hill on the last of P. G. Wodehouse.

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The soldier's soldier of-war to Commander of the new West German army.) The Trail of the Fox

The Life of Field-Marshal Erwin Rommel By David Irving (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £7.95)

Donald was not a traitor to his party, and to pay a generous tribute to his unrivalled contribution in founding right to criticise Chamberlain for framing his policy of appeasement by using Sir Horace Wilson (officially the Government's Chief Industrial Adviser) as his main instrument rather than the Foreign thought by the country to be dishonourable.
I suspect that Sir Harold one of suspect that Sir Harold most greatly admires Harold Macmillan of all his post-war predecessors. Yet he reveals that Macmillan (whom every-body knows was the first senior Cabinet Minister to advocate Britain's withdrawald from Susph extually the attention of the senior of the senior of the senior than the senior of t political factors that so gov-National Socialist state.

to the almost certain collusion between the British, French and Israeli Governments at the and Israeli Governments at the time of the Suez adventure. In 1967 Anthony Nutring described a visit to Chequers in the Autumn of 1956 by a high-ranking Israeli officer. Sir Harold has examined the entries in the Chequers guest-book going back over fifty years. There appeared to have been interference with one of the signatures of the guests in 1956. Through holding the book under a powerful electrically lit magnifier in the Long Gallery he discovered that a name had been excised, probably by a razor blade. No wonder Sir Harold had his doubts about the competence of the British security services. tion in something to which be had not been a party.

Fidelity emerges as the keynote to Rommel's keynote

keynote to Rommel's character—fidelity to his wife and comrades, and (however misplaced) to the leader to whom he had given his oath. This is not an "Irving" book Not that he appears here as an in the sensational context. Irving grinds no special axe, pro-Macmillan in 1975. Sir Harold begins his book with Sir Robert Walpole and ends with Harold Macmillan. He contrives to do so in a volume of 326 pages which include many lavish illustrations. He races through the eighteenth century in 32 pages; he cruises through the intereenth century are more stately page with a plause here and there for reflection.

One suspects that Sir Harold has had to subordinate his normally sure sense of historical scale to the economic rigours imposed by his publishers, who was more advised to have allowed him to double the length of his look in order to do full justice to the economy and makes in context, in the sense of historical scale to the economic rigours imposed by his publishers, who was usurival was in serious double the length of his look in order to do full justice to the economic with sense of full justice to the economic with the full proposed by the publishers who is because the terms were in order to do full justice to the economic with the full proposed by the publishers with a full proposed by the publishers with a full proposed by the publishers with a full proposed by the publisher with the full proposed by the publisher with the full proposed by the publishers with the full proposed by the publishers with the full proposed by the publishers with the full proposed by the publisher with the full propos

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reputation, he gained a some-what doubtful respect, rising out of the myth from prisoner-

personal account with Montgo-Yet with all his character weaknesses and military errors taken into account, Rommel

David Irving blows away the myth that Rommel was somethat appealed to Rommel with ship of the Führer. The eviend his was not the anguish of the exposed plotter, but of a man condemned for participa-

biographers have never properly amempred, which is to give full consideration to the

how a "pure" straightforward soldier with no interest in politics, serving his country while detesting its leaders. It was probably the "Socialist" ele-ment in National Socialism his anti-aristocratic outlook, and he went out of his way to praise the works and leaderdence against his complicity in any anti-Hitler conspiracy is convincing and even till the

Irving shows plainly that Rommel's family were con-cerned after his death-however uppopular their attitude might be with the Allied occupation authorities—to stress the Field Marshal's unswerving loyalty to the Head of State to whom he had pledged allegiance. (General Hans Speidel had quite a different concept of honour, and by an odd misuse of Rommel's name and

taken into account, Rommel still emerges as the most universally liked of wartime commanders. He was idolised by his Italian as well as his German troops, and almost as much by his opponents, particularly in the desert where, as Irving says, "for two years he withstood the weight of the British Empire on the only battisfield where it was then engaged, with only two Panzer divisions and a handful of other ill-armed and undermourished forces under his other ill-armed and undernourished forces under his
commend. Some of us have
stood at Kilo 31, near Tobruk,
with old soldiers of the Afrika
Korps and other nations—hard
cynical men for the most part,
with no more dreams and hardly
a nightmare among them, but
with never a dry eye in the
house or the sand when the
name of Rommel was invoked.
Successive generations of
young people seem to feel his
appeal too, in a different yet
keener way, since their tastebuds are sharper, and for them buds are sharper, and for them the Rommel-wine is even hea-

dier for the keeping. Irving does nothing here to offend susceptibilities or damage sacred cows. He has not needed to be outrageous or provocative to produce one of the finest, freshest and most vigorous military biographies to appear since the war.

Laurence Cotterell

Fiction

The Dark Lady By Louis Auchincless (Weidenfeld & Nicolson £4.95) Prominent Gentleman Edited by Francis King (Hurchinson, E3.95) Get Down There and Die By Jennifer Lash (Harvester Press, £4.50) Summer Visits

Louis Auchincloss is a man besotted. He writes of American high society. He is happiest in the Thirties with cool, cool ladies, power-flecked gents and the fat, opulent chateaux of New England.

By Margery Sharp Heinemann, £4.10)

It's Scott Fitzgerald territory, of course. But whereas as that superb writer treated his meterial with a mordant and sardonic amusement, Mr Auchincloss is totally bewitched and captivated by it.
And this is the trouble with And this is the trouble with

The Dark Lady.

It is set in pre war New
York. It concerns the life of a beautiful, high born actress, memoirs of the brother of the brother

heautiful, high born actress, Elesina Dart, and the bavoc she

wreaks on all those with whom she comes into contact. A dark, dark lady indeed is Miss Dart, and Mr Auchincloss is obviously ravished by the spicy pungency of the stews she concocts for the poor mis-fortunates who fall into her

It is not good enough. An author needs a certain detach-ment from his material. He needs time and space to assemble it to its most telling advantage. He needs the coo-ness, which Mr Auchincless so admires in his ladies.

There can be no doubting his technical abilities. He has elegance and refinement of style, although there are times when the flamboyance of dialogue makes you cringe. His backgrounds are drawn with sensitivity and loving attention

In the final count, however, the mix is too rich because the writer has become no involved. A step back from the plot, a a story about fear. It's the cock of the head to see the story of obsessions and terrors, cock of the head to see the subject from another angle would have worked wonders. It is a book kalled by

Fanny Bill (pause for sniggers)

and so noble lad that he is, he has at great expense and cost of his precious time edited them down into a book which I guess would fit quite com-fortably into the average outsize flap of the average scoutmaster's knapsack.

Indeed the book would make marvellous reading round the camp fare with scouts agog with flapjacks and corned beef hash

and the buzzards mewing in the dark hills. It is totally harmless and inoffensive. I am certain Lord Baden Powell would have been most proud of Mr Hill's work among the deprayed and corrupt classes of eighteenth century London and been only too

pleased to set him up as an example of the power of virtue to triumph among vice and evil. Jolly well done, Mr King. Jennifer Lash has produced one of the strangest and most intriguing novels to have come my way for a very long time. Get Down There and Die is

which starts with a young man catching the eyes of another man in a London tube train. He sees there a quality of fear, which stings him to the heart of his soul. His search for the man and the source of that fear takes him from London to Ireland. The mood of menace is most

dialogue and a twisting, darting plot that grips constantly.

There is one small grouse, however. The book it written in the present tense and at

is short enough to cope with it and because the rhythm of her story line can maintain it.
It is a near thing, but she succeeds.

exceptionally interesting writer. Margery Sharp's Summer Visits is the least demanding and most unpretentious of the and most unpretentious of the batch. I enjoyed it enormously. The story line is simple. It concerns a century in the life of a country house and the people who live in it.

The structure of the book is soundness itself, and on it Miss Sharp has built a source of deli-

The Dinnis

ends in the

Vale, must also be in the running.

Michael Smith yesterday signed
a three-year contract as manager
of Wales and his aim is to win
the 1980 European championship.
Smith, who recently received
offers from Birmingham and a
Saudi Arabian club, Riyadh, is
expected to earn about £11,000 a
year—about £4,000 more than at
the moment.

the moment.

He was originally employed as national coach with responsibilities for team management. Now the emphasis has been put on the management and Mr Smith said:

"I feel we can win something. We went pretty close last year, when we reached the European Championship last eight and put up a good fight in our World Cup group. The margin between success and failure is pretty thin."

Mr Smith's improved terms were ratified at a meeting of the Weish FA's senior international committee.

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Nottingham Forest will make
every effort to retain the services
of Brian Clough, even though they
have given the Football Association permission to interview him
for the job of England manager.
Brian Appleby, Forest's charman,
said yesterday: "The last thing
we want is to lose his services. I
would do anything within reason
to keep him at Forest."
Clough has been labelled the

co keep mm at Forest."

Clough has been labelled the people's choice to manage England and Mr Appleby confirmed:

"The FA have our permission to approach him. I would not refuse

I have that right."

Mr Appleby would not say whether Clough had been in touch with the Football Association. "Any other comment must come from him or FA secretary Ted Croker."

Forest were upset at the "dispraceful" way in which the FA's plan to approach Clough was leaked to a national newspaper. "If I had read that another club wanted him I would have complained to the FA. Who do I complain to now—it's an Alice in

réign

rain

Rugby Union

Hess, a Middlesex lock, begins a move at Blackheath yesterday.

tramples on Middlesex

be no further excuses. Kent won their decisive victory by a goal and two penalty goals and they will now meet, at Elackheath on November 26, the wimners of the south and south-west quarter-flual round between Gloucestershire and Oxfordshire, which is due to be played on Saturday.

From the outset Kent looked like a well-drilled side that knew just how they intended to play their hand. At once they made shrewd use of the stiffish wind their opponents gave them and, having held a clear instative throughout the first half, led at the interval by nine points. If it were thought that another penalty goal from Williamson would not be enough, then surely the excellence of Kent's tackling, the increasing skills and strength of

By Peter Walker

Ebbw Vale 3 Newport 0

The hills surrounding Ebbw Vale were Bible black while under the floodlights in the valley below Ebbw Vale and Newport moved dreamlike through 80 featureless minutes. A game of such uniform flatness makes one harden to the view that too much rugby is played in these isles. After just two full months of the season, there were numerous players who had an over-exposed look.

Both Ebbw Vale and Newport, after making confident, successful starts to the season, have fallen away in the past three weeks. Sinprisingly, the return of Newport's three British Lions, Burcher, Ebbw Vale Scrum half drastically limited the home club's opportunities.

Ebbw Vale S. Newport 0

Arthur Lewis, the former Welsh international captain. The Vale's anternational captain. The Vale's anterlanding options are closely alided to what sort of performance their scrum half turus in.

Last might the suraus in.

Last might to want sor more than adequate. His usually reliable boot was of too loose a fitting anternational captain. The Vale's s

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent Kent 14

Kent 14

For years now in the south-east or metropolitan division of the county championship it has been taken for grunted that Eastern Counties, Middlesex or Surrey would proceed to the later stages of the competition. But in the group play-off at Blackheath yesterday, Middlesex, last season's runners-up, came properly unstuck and it was the white horse of Kent deservedly rampant as the home side went through to the semi-final round for the first time in 27 years. In 1950, they lost 3—0 on this ground to Cheshire and their strum half was Alec Hemming, who is now the county president.

Middlesex, it is true, were with-

president.

Middlesex, it is true, were without Lawson, their Scottish international scrum half, who has been in exciting form this season, and were well short of full strength at forward. That said, there can be no further excuses. Kent won their decisive victory by a goal and two penalty goals and they will now meet, at Blackheath on November 26, the winners of the south and south-west quarter-final round between Gloucestershire and Oxfordstire, which is due to be played on Saturday.

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Rampant white horse of Kent

their forwards, the knowing sup-port of their halfbacks and the confidence of the side overall were enough to silence the

were enough to silence the Jeremlahs.

Just how frustrating it all was for Middlesex may be underlined by the fact that, shortly before no-side, their scrummage was sent into reverse by an eight-man shove and they lost the heel on their own put in. But some white before that the Kent-pack had been busy winning some important manis. If Slater, on the end of Hartley's resourceful service, did not pump the ball safely up the touchline, Kent had the confidence to run it out of defence.

When Middlesex may have thought they had outflanked the defence, there always seemed to be one last tackle to foil them. Williamson stoped one Middlesex score, shortly before half-time, just managing to filp Tiddy's ankel. Cover tackles by Short, Baxter and Hartley saved three more in the second half.

All this suggests that Middlesex had their chances, as indeed they had Rut Rawie too often was

Football

Kidd gives Luton a late kiss of death

By Tom German Manchester C 3 Like lovers whispering their coodnights, Manchester City and Luton Town were reluctant to part. It took five minutes short of five hours and a half to resolve their third-round League Cup tie; the decisive goal as the end of extra time loomed at Old Traffeet less their tract the first

end of extra time loomed at Old Trafford last night was the first time City had been alread in the three hard, delicately-balanced meetings between the clubs.

Yet for half an hour Luton seemed set firmly on course for the fourth round. Despite the absence of Husband, their leading scorer, and Paul Futcher, such a substantial strut in defence, they a substantial strut in defence, they were two goals up, much better organized in the middle of the field, with Hill and West skilfully pointing the direction, and showing City's defence in an uncertain mood.

Nor was that lead undeserved, though there were contradictions in the picture judged at its feet value; had not Aleksic drawn train on sharp reflexes and sound existing sense, button might well have been struction.

This well have been struggling.
Those moments of tension for lutter underlined the variety in City's equipment at this stage; thurp enough up front, but slow to coordinate in defence. Lutter noutly exposed them twice, and 'r heale there was sweet atonement for the remarkable miss just before the end of last week's first replay.

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He norched both goals, first as Buckley's cross found him uncorked and unchallenged by the right-hand post, and then as Buckley's free kick pierced the thicket of bodies around Corrigan's gral, hounced off the goalkeeper's chest, and fell to Heale, once more proprieties and proprietioned. more propitiously positioned.
The incident which cultivened
Cirv came 2fter 34 minutes. Hill
invited Power to take an inside



Kidd: scored decisive goal in extra time.

route as he strode in from the left; Power duly obliged, surprised Hill with the length of his stride, and was caught only by an outstretched boot. Tueart, restored to City's team, safetly dipatched the penalty.

City prospered with moves up the right flank in the second half and the match was once again poised in the balance as Battles, siren-tike, lured three opponents to him, flicked the ball back to Kidd, who found Channon waiting in the middle to drive in his

tentre.
That, one concluded, would be the blow which would knock the wind out of Luton, but remarkably it was they who came back strongly to squander two splendid changes.

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Richard Dinnis, manager of New-castie United for less than a year, was dismissed after a two-hour board meeting last night. Russell Cushing, the club secretary, stated: "The board decided unanimously that Mr Dinnis's contract be terminated. The directors thank him for the success which he achieved after the defection of Mr Lee to Everton, but in view of the disappointing performance of the team in the league and cup this season, it was decided that a change was unavoidable. The new manager will be appointed as soon as possible."

Although Mr Dinnis's short reign has ended with Newcastie at the Although Mr Dinnis's short reign has ended with Newcastle at the foot of the table, it is thought that his weekend outburst, in which he stated that Newcastle were in Danger of becoming second rate, contributed greatly to his downfall. These comments upset the club chairman, Lord Westwood, and afterwards Mr Dinnis apologized.

gized.

He joined Newcastle at the firstteam coach two years and a half
ago and was made acting manager
at the end of February, when
Gordoz Lee left. He signed a twoeven as Tueart won the second penalty of the night. Faulkner, who tackled him, showed his feelings about the incident by his gesticulations, but it mattered not; Tueart's kick, hard and accurate, brought another superb save from Aleksic. Even he, though, had to bow the knee in the end as Tueart put over a long centre and Kidd tucked a header neatly into the cornerthe long-awaited passport to a fourth round meeting with ipswich Town. Gordon Lee left. He signed a twoyear contract as manager on June
30 when he was promoted after a
show of power by the players. Mr
Dinnis, whose family have never
moved to Typesde from Blackburn, left the board meeting in
pouring rain without saying a
word.

He is likely to receive up to
£20,000 in compensation for the
remainder of his contract. A
former Chelsea manager, Eddie
McCreedle, stands high on the list
of men watted by Newcastle; but
Bob Stokoe and Bill McGarry, who
is considering an offer from Port
Vale, must also be in the rumingMichael Smith yesterday signed

MANCHESTER CITY: J. Cotrigan, Clements, W. Donachio, M. Doyle, Watson, P. Power, P. Barnes, Mannon, B. Kidd, A. Hartford, D. Tueari.

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Refere: K. H. Burns (Stourbridge).

Tueart-Francis rumour is denied by Book

The Manchester City manager, Tony Book, yesterday denied rumours that Gerry Francis, of Queen's Park Rangers, would be joining City in exchange for Dennis Tucart. Mr Book said "there is no truth in the rumour that we are ready to trade Dennis Tucart for Francis. We have made no inquiries for Francis and we will not be doing so in the future." Mr Book did confirm that Rangers made a preliminary inquiry for Tueart

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He caused the Belgian defence some embarrassing moments before scoring a super 75th minute.

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Trevor Morris, their secretary, summed up their feelings when he south and south-west quarter-final count between Gloucestershire and Oxfordstire, which is due to be player in signing could look as though I was playing it at both lifes team, and will reap a further 50,000 if McGae plays 10 matches with the first team, and will reap a further 50,000 if he wins an Ireland cap.

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"If I had read that another club wanted him I would have complained to the FA. Who do I complain to now—it's an Alice in Wonderland situation?" Mr Appleby said.

Football fixtures

isthmian league: Premier Division: Suiton v Staines. FAYOUTH CUP: First round: Bristol Rovers v Plymouth.

Bayonne, Nov 9.—The New Zealand All Blacks will field six newcomers against France in the first Rugby Union international at Toulouse on Friday. At full back, they will have a stand-off half who has played in the position only once before.

Brian McKechnie, a 23-year-old Southland stand-off half, takes over at full back from Bevan Wilson,

Great Britain bedazzled at the Wightman Cup show

All Blacks name six new caps

None of this was surprising.
Miss Wade's win over Miss Evert
at Wimbledon disrupted the pattern. It did not mean that Miss
Wade is as good a player. As for
Miss Barker, she has been out of
competition for almost two
months, recovering from what was
believed to be anaemia. A Wightman Cup singles was too challenging a role for her to play returning to the stage.

Britain's chances were always a matter of hope, rather than con-fidence. But the evening provided stimulating entertalnment. Thanks to the stature of the players concerned rather than the importance of the occasion, a crowd of 7.351 made their way to the Oakland Collectum. This was a record for

The opening ceremony—featur-ng a colour guard, a pipe and drum band, and dramatic tricks of lighting—was theatrically effec-

The carpeted court was slow and lifeless. Short balls tended to keep low. It was to Miss Wade's credit that she served so effectively and attacked so persistently.

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this try and, not long afterwards, landed a 30-yard pensity for a scrummage offence. He then slightly stubbed a couple of attempts from considerably longer range, though both were within his compass down the wind.

his compass down the wind.

If anyone looked like inspiring a Middlesex revival it was French, who brought off several promising runs. But it became increasingly obvious that this was not to be their day. Ralston made a mess of a kickable penalty from the left, whereupon Williamson rubbed it in with his second successful kick.

Hartley Bignell and Rayter had

in with tils second sucessful kick. Harriley, Bignell and Baxter had set up a forward drive between them, and Crust, a lively and capable centre, was using loose possession to look for an opening on the left when a Middlesex defender was caught offside almost in front of his own posts. A couple of surges by Patrick, a lock, and a characteristic sally by Cooke, who cut clear through the middle from his own 25, reflected just how Kem's adrenollin was flowing now. Altogether an admirabit team effort to which all concerned contributed an honest part.

North Midlands

semi-final round

North Midlands squeezed into the county championships semi-final round with a tenuous victory over the three counties at the Reddings last night, by one try, one penalty and two dropped goals to two penalties.

The counties put up a brave fight, but North Midlands with more of the ball, did not do much with it. This was a display strewn with errors often forced by their opponents' speed into the tackle and general harrying.

With the advantage of wind and slope, North Midlands took a 10—0 interval lead. A long penalty by Meanwell was quickly followed by the only try of the game, from Thomas after a blind-side break by

Harding.

Cusworth added a dropped goal from a five-yard scrummage, but in the second Northard kicked two penalties to cut the lead before Cusworth made supe with his second dropped goel near the end.

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Move to make Uefa Cup into a European league

By Geoffrey Green A scheme to convert the Uefa competition into the beginnings of a European league was introduced at an informal meeting in London vesterday.

resterday.

Present were representatives from the Continent, like Van Bragg, from Alax of Amsterdam; Van Dalen of Enschede; Scotsmen from Rangers and Celid; Italians and many members from English Football League clubs, and most important, perhaps, Hans Bangerier, the secretary of Uefa. Also present were Alan Hardaker of the Football League, Ted Croker of the Football Association, and thers like Sir Matt Bushy, Brian Mears, Denis Hill-Wood and John Cobbold.

The idea hasically—the concept

Cobbold.

The idea basically—the concept of David Miller, football correspondent of the Daily Express—is the expand the Uefa Cup into a Turopean league, and that the number of teams who now complete for the Uefa Cup should be divided into two groups—Group. divided into two groups—Group A and Group B—to bring a league competition. By this method there will be more matches and more money for the clubs in-

With graded opposition there

Sir Matt Busby, however, said:

"We are now living in a different era. This is an age for progress. The problem of fixtures should be mything compared with the opportunity that if offers to others." He should know since he was the one man—a Scotsman—who saw the future of English league football in Europe 20 years ago.

The one point missing in this

The interesting fact is that the European Cup itself was first promoted by a journalist, Gabriel Hanot, of the French newspaper, I-Equipe, which gave birth to the European Cup itself. Now a journalist, 20 years on, has pronosed something new. As Bushy

ball in Europe 20 years ago.

The one point missing in this new proposed alignment is the absence of the winners of the European Cup itself and the Cup-Winners Cup. But in due course, should this come to fruition, they will gain their superior place, as all losers will.

The interesting fact is that the European Cup itself was first

asking a church choir to sing there. There were of course adversaries to the idea like Mr Bangerter, Mr Hardoker and Mr Croker. All of these are secretaries of their organisations. They talked about the complications of these fixtures and other commitments of World Cup, European Nations Cup and the rest.

Sir Matt Busby, however, said:

could be a better competition and posed stancthing new. As Bushy core embarrassing moments be-promoter said: "There is no point one day, though most of us will goal to seal the game for Derby in building an opera house and be gode, it will come to pass.

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or coaching and youth soccer in Wales for six years before succeeding David Bowen as manager three years ago. The news of his new contract comes a week before the World Cup match against Czechoslovakia in Prague, a tie of only academic interact as Soc.

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ing to the stage.

Wightman Cup tennis in the United

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
San Francisco, Nov 9
The United States, represented by two players who have won a combined total of eight Wimbledon singles championships, lead Britain 2-0 after the first day of the Wightman Cup fixture. Christine Evert beat Virginia Wade 7—5, 7—6 in 93 minutes, and Billie Jean King took only 53 minutes to achieve a crushing 6—1, 6—4 margin against Susan Barker.

None of this was surprising.

tive. There was an amusing geoprophic blunder when Susan Mappin logged onto court into the spotlight and was described as board in Sheffield, now living in Yorkshire". Rosemary Casals nad a special welcome from the citizens of her home city. As the matches propressed vendors of beer, peanuts, and protzels prowled round the court. The carpeted court was allow the United States, professional the United States, professional the States is show business.

look.

Both Ebbw Vale and Newport, after making confident, suc-essful starts to the season, have fallen away in the past three weeks. Surprisingly, the return of Newport's three British Llons, Burcher, Evans, and Soufre, have failed to arrest the slapdashness of the team's handling and tackling. Furthermore, Ebbw Vale's talented but over indulgent scrum half, Steve Lewis, can limit the opportunities of the powerful and creative centres, Dwyer and

as she had to against a player sounder and more resourceful from the back of the court. Her performance as a whole indicated, as we expected, that she could play Miss Every on even terms for much of the time But not all the time. of the time. But not all the time. of the time. But not all the time.

Miss Evert's tactical variations were astucity conceived, almost ilawlessly executed. We knew how well she could lob. On this occasion she also demonstrated increasing assurance playing perfectly measured cross-count passing shots, dipping away through the short angles. Repeatedly Miss Wade, pounding to the net behind a good approach shot that had drawn Miss Evert out of position, was confounded by the bold delicacy of a cross-court forehand played from a defensive position. There were times, too, when Miss Evert

opportunities.

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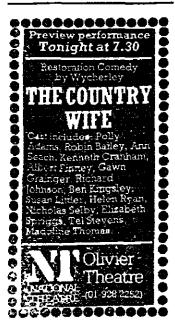
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Placido Domingo: what shall I sing next?

Most international tenors would consider that 1300 stage appearances constitute a very reasonable career. Placido Domingo has that number under his belt already and reckons that he is just about the halfway point. The question is where to go now.

The roles Domingo has been tion is where to go now.

The roles Domingo has been recording in Britain this autumn, Maurizio in Cilea's Adriana Leconoreur for CBS and Don Jose in DG's Carmen, are natural enough choices. He has already sung over 100 Joses, with the century mark being passed during Edinburgh's production of Bizer's opera. Domingo, like the festival's visitors, was sansfied with that performance. that performance.

"Their production was by far the strongest I have sung in. At Covent Garden, for in-stance, José was made a much stance, josé was made a much too sourowful, self-pitying character. In Edinburgh I think we managed to bring our José's obsession with Carmen and the witchery she exerts on hum. When she throws the flower at him it is as though he is struck by a builet between the eyes." The right knuckle strikes the left palm. "Pow...!"

"Pow...!"
"I wish we could transfer more of the production on to record. In hetween performances, and after the run, we go into the studios and perform chunks of the opera in the space of about two weeks. But I wonder whether it would not be better to record die not be better to record the whole work right through four or five times and then piece together the best of each take. However much I try I never feel I sing the Flower Song, for example, as well in the studio as I do in a really good night

Adriana and Carmen will be 1978 releases. Domingo's two major sets this autumn have major sets this autumn have both been for RCA, the company with which be has chiefly associated. Giordano's Andrea Chenier and Verdi's Forza. They are among the best opera issues of the year. But where is the Otello, which Domingo has sung now a couple of dozen times on stage?

ingo has sung now a comple or dozen times on stage?

"We are still discussing it.

I'm half way through my career and obviously I want to record it as soon as possiple.

There should be room for two Domingo Otellos on the shelves, and the fiver is the wirel one. and the first is the vital one. We wanted to do it this summer, but Jimmy Levine, who conducted my first Otello in Ramburg, and Sherrill Milnes, the Iago there, were both in Salzburg while most of my work was in Verona deal of Britain. Also a great deal of it. We must arrange something debate is going on about the very soon."



Photograph by courtesy of RCA Records

"Until last year I was under exclusive contract to RCA. Ingo's career. This sammer he exclusive contract to RCA. Ingo's career. This sammer he to the year of the context companies, such as Meistersinger and Louise, but only on condition that specific works were confined to them, including Otello. Now I'm not sure what we do. Solti asked it wasn't possible. So did Carlos Kleiber. Abbado, Muti thin, but it wasn't possible. So did Carlos Kleiber. Abbado, Muti similar: Bernd Weikl, who has already been engaged as the other conduct it. We must arrange something other of the Salzburg 'Mozart style'.

"In between those Munich werthers I'll exchange the dreamy and rather bloodless way of a well-known German tenor. "Or do they want this...?" The mannered method is thrown away in favour of something much closer to the Domingo sound.

"I'mgleur de Nôtre Dame. But I worried about in the end I declined."

Now that Domingo has

move in the other direction and tackle the Tristan which has been a possibility for some years now?

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"Not yet. When I agreed to that first Otello I had no fears. People asked me why I wanted to do it so early. They announced in advance that it would alter my voice. I knew that it wouldn't because that role has been inside me for years. But when they say the same thing about Tristan then they could be right. I've looked at the part and I think that the moment I start to sing it then I will have to give up 10 other roles which I don't want to lose. The other day I was in Monte Carlo doing extracts from Butterfly and I was a transported I listened to Lucia; afterwards I listened to the tape and thought that I mustn't let the lyric quality for those works slip away from me'. I had planned Tristan for 1981; now I feel it can wait." Most years Domingo adds a

new role to his roster. The next is Werther, which he next is Werther, which he sings in mid-December in Munich with Brigitte Fasshander as Charlotte. "It may seem strange, but I'm worrying more about that than I did about Otelho. There are the physical problems: I've got to lose 10 pounds." [Domingo pats a belly which is far less ample than it was.] "Werther is a fixail creature and no one is going to believe in a fat man who commits suicide. Fat men are almost always jolly men. Then I've got to come to terms with his character. Most of the lovers I perform are dominant, even if they die in the end: Manrico, Otello, Cavaradossi. The problem with Werther is to balance his naivete with those sudden outbursts of emothose sudden outbursts of emo-tion. I've seen both Valletti and di Stefano come near it on stage and they will be the models, particularly di Ste-

Domingo also has his eye on another French opera, The Trojans. He will record The Damnation of Faust with Barenboim before long, and that could be a pilot for the



music in the second concert of the current little festival of Canadian concemporary music at Sr John's on Tuesday, with La Société de Musique Con-temporaine de Québec under the direction of Serge Garant

If the group was dispirited by rows of empty seats there was no sign of it in their very confident performances. Perhaps the French will make amends when the programme (like four of the others) is repeated in Paris in the course of the formight.

Nationalism in music is out of date. Again, as on Privay, no specifically Canadian characteristic emerged. The pro-gramme could have been heard at any European festival of Contemporary music. Passing Olympian judgment after such scant acquaintance with the five composers is dangerous. I

will merely say what interested me most, and why. Gilles Tremblay's "Solstices" (or "Les jours et les saisons tournent") is intriguing not only for very striking scoring

the way the work can be adjusted to the time and date of performance so as to be "in harmony with the movement of the earth, with its play of light

Equally I liked "Madrigal IV" by Bruce Mather (another Messiaen pupil), with its sensi-tively judged mingling of flute and soprano, with prerecorded tapes of the same duo, and plucked piano as go-between. There is frisson for the ear, but no mere streving for effect.
Donald Steven's "Images"
("Refractions of Time and
Space") for small "electric"
ensemble, albeit static, also explored scientific regions with delicacy of imagination. Each of its seven movements knows when to stop.

The group's director, Serge Garant, was represented by "Rivages", an Alain Grandbois setting for baritone and chamber ensemble, with a recurrent curdled horn call to emphasize a mood of desperation. It cer-tainly emerged more urgent and more concentrated than Brian Cherney's chamber concerts for viola and 10 players, in which deliberately gauche gestures from a moody viola repeatedly provoke the others to explosive much further each time.

London debut

going to play Bach on the piano at all one might as well cut one's losses and play him pianistically. The view is not an unreasonable one though this procedure does not of itself solve the problem of interpreting music on an instru-ment for which it was not designed. Miss Murakami had much of interest to say in this performance, but the extent and nature of her phrasing in such movements as the Alie-mande and Sarabande and the continual dynamic shading threatened to deprive the music of its uniform consistency. A more direct approach in places might have yielded better results. The Courants and Gigue, marked by firm articulation, were more sucdeed at the end of the Sara-bande Miss Murakami's imag-ination took wing for a bar and a half without the original notes having been heard-per-

haps an uncharacteristic lapse of memory.

If her Bach might be criticized for being too eventful, her Mozart was certainly not

that. Only the final Allegretto day's later editions.

Opening ber Wigmore Hall of the B flat Sonata K 570 was recital last week with Bach's a breathless surge of invention French Suite No 5 in G major, with no pause for recollection; Yuriko Murakami evidently the central slow movement took the view that if one is sought, and founding grace sought, and found, grace rather than profundity, the cue being taken from the "ma non troppo " marking. " following the Adagio

Dynamic and textural contrasts worked better in the two Beethoven sonatas, Op 27 No 1 in E flat and Op 109 in E. Surprising reserves of power surfaced here and although Miss Murakami's tone is genexally free from harshness there was an occasional hint of over-exertion. The opening phrases of Op 27, however, were shaped in a well-calculated and purposeful manner that epitomized what was to come, while the faster passages had both rhythmic lift and clarity.

In her closing Liszt group Miss Murakami showed that her technique easily encomcassful Repeats were observed her technique easily encomfaithfully but original and passes the more overtly virtuoso repertoire as well. La scarcely distinguishable: in- Legierezza and Les jeux d'eaux à la villa d'Este were both im-pressively handled and it was a pity that it was in the Polonaise No 2 in E, when she was most enjoying herself, that Miss Murakami's enthusiasm caused a brief aberration; she recovered quickly to round off the recital with style.

Barry Millington

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yester-

Philharmonia/Klee Festival Hall

William Mann

Richard Strauss gave his Four Last Songs to Kirsten Flagstad, asking her to give their first performance. While he was composing them, a year or two earlier, we may suppose that he had in mind the voice of Viorica Ursuleac, for whom his last though these are not truly operatic soprano parts were passionate songs, rather the written, a grandly florid voice gently autumnal and Apollonian wide and down ribusty wide and down ribusty. wide and slow vibrato. But Strauss's wife was also a noted soprano and Lieder singer, at the turn of the century when soprano's voices were pure and the golden rapture of the final there are no records of the start of "Beim Schlefengehen"; she captured the golden rapture of the final there are no records of the start of the golden rapture of the final the golden rapture of the final the golden rapture. surely have sounded much like to their singers do, the verbal underlay of Strauss's melisement of their strauss's music early in this century), and it was of her that he was thinking emotionally as he composed those last songs.

Since Strauss's doubt best of their singers do, the verbal underlay of Strauss's melisematic, quasi-instrumental lines, though she did not, as is possible, resture the missing rhyme in "September".

She could, we knew, have

a favourite Strauss sonrano at Glyodebourne (to go no nearer her native Sweden), came to ber", when the singer was the South Bank on Tuesday to sometimes swamped.

After a chesty onslaught on the first phrase of "Frühling", Miss Söderström floated pure. radiant, vocal, live, simply and sensitively blended with Hesse's (in the last song Eichendorft's) words. Her interpretation was, indeed, rather less intense or committed than expected.

sing them with the Philhar-

monia Orchestra, which played for Plugstad at that first per-

formance 27 years ago.

clear (there are no records of song with touching convictina.

Pauline de Ahna, but she will Earlier she had redistributed, as

Since Strauss's death, taste given more intensity, even more has, at any rate, favoured a richness of vocal cobur to the soprano sound, for the Vier songs; once or twice I regretletate Lieder, less anulent than ted so classic an approach. Flagstad's; it was in that tradi-tion that Elisabeth Söderström, ducting the concert, kept the orchestral music light and lucid in texture, except in

nauts hurtle down its narrow street, while witchcraft carries

on behind the cottage doors. The situation is lifted into drama by a slight exaggeration

of reality: the fact being that traffic is so had in Street that nobody has been able to

cross the road for years; the

Street

Irving Wardle

Joan Aiken's new play for the Unicorn Theatre Club starts with kerbside drill in a traffic-

Unicorn Theatre Club starts with kerbside drill in a traffic-blocked village and ends with acts of magical death and propitiation in a primeval forest.

Vertical lift-off from the commonplace into the world of myth is a trademark of this admirable writer. Plays like Winterthing and the present piece may fall into the modest category of "children's entertainment" but where else do you find any equivalent example of intricately plotted and original story-telling?

"Is it set in the future?" my 10-year-old son asked, thus rumbling Miss Aiken's game.

rumbling Miss Aiken's game. She is a time virtuoso. Her village is at once a familiar casualty of the motorway age and a surviving outpost of ancient native magic. Jugger- the magic wand.

The Bible in British

Art Victoria and Albert

Museum

William Gaunt

In how many ways the vast store of subject and idea con-tained in the Old and New Tesfor stained glass and some supporting representation of em-broidery and sculpture. The works shown trace the changes and developments of thought and expression from the tenth to the twentieth century, beginning with the vividness of Anglo-Saxon outline in the "Caedmon" Genesis of c1000AD

A drastic effect of the Reformarion can be seen in the scantiness of Bible illustration then caused by the Puritan hostility to the visual image. The early printed Bibles make an austere contrast with the richly decorated medieval Psalter or Book of Hours. The painting of religious subjects virtually died out in Britain until the eighteenth century. But what may freshly strike the visitor to the present exhibition is the surprising vigour and variety of works inspired by the Bible from that time

"History" painting of bibli-cal as well as classical themes, gained a new esteem in the age of Sir Joshua Reynolds as an ideal form of art practised by the greatest European mas-ters, eminently in place in the Academy if not in the Church. Burke's definition of the Sublime as contained in scenes of terror and intensity sent artists

lones and others who more at ease between serving drinks and humburgers, and wielding back to the Old Testament for oack to the Old Testament for subjects as well as to the trea-edies of Shakespeare and Mil-tun's Paradisc Lost. One chosen theme was the

vations about the performances of Gabrielie Hamilton, Ursula

One chosen theme was the skeletal fourth horseman of the Apocalypse from the Book of Revelation, versions of which are given by several hands including the phentom figure painted by Turner in the strangest of his conceptions. The romantic moad of the early nineteenth century responsive to storm and violence produced the stupendous idea of the Deluge from Genesis in which Turner is pgs of so constantly derived from the Bible, has a greatly impressive example in his watercolour of

The Resurrection. Much concerned with religion and religious revival, the Victorian age had its own im-portant contribution to make. The combination of realism with a strong element of devotional teeling is potent in the Pre-Raphaelite exhibits. A composite masterpiece of graphic art was the Delziels' Bible Gallery, the designs of Leighton, Poynter, Sandys and others gaining in dramatic power from the eogravers' collaboration. Millais's illustrations to the Parables, of which a number are shown, form a design of comparable quality. series of comparable quality.

For all its scientific bent,

the twentieth century has not lacked some outstanding indi-vidual interpreters of biblical vidual interpreters of biblical themes, as we are reminded at South Kensington by Stanley Spencer's Christ overturning the money-changers' tables, Eric Gill's wood-engravings for The Song of Songs and The Four Gospels, Graham Sutherland's first cartoon for the Covening Tapestry, and Paul Nash's wood engravings illus-trating the Creation, in which abstract design well suggests the majestic generalizations of the theme. The exhibition con-tinues until January 8.



William Blake: The Resurrection—the Angel rolling away the stone from the sepulchre



Keith Michell and Penelope Keith

Shaw's vision of the future

The Apple Cart Phoenix

Ned Chaillet

Words, words, words take a while to reach audiences used to a surfeit of pictures and images on television and in films. But Bernard Shaw's parliamentary joke, The Apple parnamentary joke, the Apple Cart, is almost all talk, except for some sub-erotic scuffling between Magnus, King of England, and his mistress, and it can still capture and en-rapture audiences. There is the advantage in Patrick Garland's production, a transfer from the Chichester Festival, that the words are spoken well and that the humour is never far from

The Funniest Man in

the World

Stratford, E

Theatre Royal, :

Jeremy Treglown

So many British plays in the past 20 years have brooded on

old comedians and comic styles

with the moralizing glumness of Hamlet contemplating Yorick's skull that it is refresh-

ing to see a music-ball docu-

mentary satisfied with telling a

story and re-creating an atmos-

Dan Leno first reached fame in Oldham as Champion Clog Dancer of the World in 1883,

when he was 20. Before his death in a lunatic asylum in

Abbey introduces new

The Abbey Theatre Company is to visit the Royal Court Theatre

cently scored a success in

Irish playwright

the centre of attention, but despite some handsome staging it is the play and not the pro-duction that Mr Garland

emphasizes. It_is_Shaw's vision of the future that the play presents, and in the scale of things that future should be coming true about now if it is ever to occur. about now if it is ever to occur. Fortunately or unfortunately for England, Shaw's scientific view of society did not account for chaos, but for logical development. King Magnus, one of Shaw's supermen, is locked in conflict with the Cabinet; not about becoming a republic, but about whether the king or a business controlled cabiner is better suited to protect Britain from large corporations. The United States, meanwhile, has decided it

Keith Michell invests Magnus

with the right amount of graci-ousness and deviousness to make a convincing monarch, un-beatable at the conference table but builied and comforted by the women in his life. He less too truch of the regal manner dominate his sermonizing rom-ance with Penelope Keith, who plays his mistress, but his com-mand of the play is otherwise delightful, Miss Keith, in her few minutes on stage, conveys the conceit and brash charm that she needs to, and is fine in some tumbling love play, but Mr Michell's mortal, domestic side is only visible with the Queen, played by Jeanette Careba Sterke.

1904 he had become the hero of the halls, the doyenne of parnomime dames and the favourite comic of Edward VII. What he wanted most himself was to play Richard III. Few people are better qualified to write a show about him

than Daniel Farson, the author of an earlier Stratford East musical (as well as a book) about Marie Lloyd, and The Funniest Man in the World is. a predictably detailed and affectionate, as well as funny, account of Leno's rise and fall. The production is strongly and flexibly cast, but everything inevitably hangs on Sam Kelly's virtuoso impersonation of Leno: solemn, hunched, staring around nervously while

The play is about Man Talbot,

working man and mystic, caught

up in the great social events of

shredded dinner suit and sou'wester, relling a freewheeling, nonsensical story of ship-wreck; or as a Beefeater lead-ing a tour of the Tower of London aimed exclusively at getting the visitors into what he keeps referring to, with an appallingly anxious grimace, as "the Rree-Frreshment Rroom"! ing, nonsensical story of ship-The show goes soft near the end, its short-hand version of

Leno's disintegration hovering between straight documentary and the marshmallow senti-mentalism of music-hall itself. But the closing minutes are nightmarish enough to retrieve what has nyway been kept buoyant by the exuberance of the earlier acts.

Jenny Tiramini and David his fantastic anecdotes prolifer-

Fisher designed the adaptable, ate as if he had nothing to do husciously tarry set, all frosted with them at all; dressed in a glass and pink rosebuds. rums from November 22 until

> directs. The run of The Good Woman

introducing the work of a new Irish history. His contribution playwright. Thomas Kilroy, to the cause of socialism is still whose play Talbot's Box re- a subject of controversy, and he is being promoted as a of Setzuan will be extended for Dublin. The season in London subject for canonization by the one week to November 19.

Catholic Church John Molloy plays the main part, and others in the cast are Stephen Brennan, Eileen Colgan, Ingrid Craigie and Clive Geraghty. Patrick Mason Walwyn

By Michael Seely Fulke Walwyn has had

Racing

Impressive Havanus looks bound for top

By Michael Seely
There was a first-class day's racing at Newbury yesterday.
David Moriey and Fred Winter showed us two novices of exceptional promise in their respective departments. Havanus, an outstanding four-year-old hurdler two seasons are gared a provider. two seasons ago, gave a sparkling display of quick and accurate jumping when slamming a useful field in the Halloween Novices' Strengerhasse

Steeplechase.
The afternoon had started on The afterfloon had started on a high note when Gruffandgrim, the latest in a long line of smart performers that Winter has bought from Eddie Harty, justified 2-1 favouritism with a four-length defeat of Thunder Run in the first division of the Wood Speen Norices' Hurdle (part one).

Havanus's former owner, the late Major Bob Hoare, would have been thrilled by the five-year-old's brilliam effort. Having his first run of the season and making his first run of the season and making his run of the season and making his first appearance over fences. Havanus was continually out-jumping the favourite. Rough and Tumble, who was making the running. Going ahead at the fifth from home, the French bred made his only mistake at the third last fence. Quickly recovering, Havanus went clear to beat Line Shooter by five lengths with Hardatit eight lengths away.

Morley was assonished at the east of Havanus's success. He considered the gelding as sure to be in need of the outing. An be in need of the outing. An exceptionally handsome animal, Havanus rather lost his form last season only winning one race, at Lingfield Park, But as often happens with horses who have raced on the flat as three-year-olds, have a busy campaign over hurdles that winter and are then gelded, it seems to take a year for them to



strength.

Morley was quick to pay tribute to Captain Charles Radclyffe, who has spent hours teaching Havanus to stand back and jump off his hocks in his loose school at his home at Lew in Oxfordshire. Captain Radclyffe then advised the Bury St Edmunds trainer to give the gelding only one spin over fences before his first run. So Bob Davies had only jumped six obstacles on Havanus prior to yesterday's victorious first appearance. The sky now appears to be the limit for Havanus, who is owned in partnership by Major Hoare's widow, Betty, and his daughter. Mrs Caroline Peacock.

Gruffandgrim was equally im-

recover their confidence and strength.

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the Black and White Gold Cup at Ascot.

Josh Gifford, who saddled the runner up Thunder Run, went on to complete a double with Shore Captain and Appreaching and is now leading trainer with 19 successes to his credit. Approaching is an extraordinary animal. For most of the three miles of the Mulublock Handicap Steeplechase the six-year-old was cantering over his rivals. But once clear, Approaching reverted to his old habit of making mistakes and at the line had only a length to spare over Jinmy Miff. His jockey, Bob Champion, must have been the most relieved man on the course when Approaching scrambled over the last fence.

Another trainer to saddle two

winners was David Barons with Jolly Mick in the Chequers Opportunity Hurdle and Perambulate in the Winner Games Handicap Steeplechase. Barons completed a treble when Light Infantry scored at Worcester. Authough Perambulate won by four lengths, he was perhaps a trifle lucky as the eight-year-old is not the heartiest of battlers. Like of Man was still running on strongly when a blunder at the last fence finally put paid to his chance. Bill Smith told Fulke Welwyn that if the Queen Mother's 10-year-old had stood back and "pinged" the final fence, he would have succeeded in defying his 12st Zib.

Walwyn confirmed that the Hemsesy Gold Cup would be Fort Devon's preliminary race before his assault on the King George VI Steeplechase. The Saxon Honse trainer considers Fort Devon to be none too fairly handicapped at Newbury as he is 7th worse off with offyal Marshal II for a half length defeat in the big race et Kempton last Boxing Day.

Never Rock | Lifebelt of the industry will have to tighten own belt, Plummer says to turn the tide for

The Horserace Betting Levy Board's sixteenth annual report, covering the 12 months ended 31 March 1977, was published yesterday. During the period under review, the revenues of the Board from bookmakers totalled 19,656,848 and the Horserace Touristator Board contributed 19,656,848 and the Horserace Touristator Board of the uncommitted reserves of the Board at the end of the financial year motalled approximately \$4,695,006.

Commenting on the financial exasperating run of seconds lately, but his luck may turn at Win-canton this afternoon with Never

canton this afternoon with Never-Rock who runs in the "Badger Bi-Centenary" Handicap Steeple-chase. Never Rock ran a fine race when chasing home My Friendly Cousin at Ascot and the winner was unlucky not to beat Dawn Breaker at Cheltenham last Friday. Toby Balding's Commandant, whose sequence of three victories in a row at the end of last season culminated with a triumph in the valuable Heinx Novice Steeplechase at Ascot. probably represents the approximately £4,695,000.
Commenting on the financial struction detailed in the report. Sir Desmond Pinanner, the chairman, said yesterday: "While we have been able to maintain a healthy surplus it must be remembered that in times of adversity the Levy Board is the Mebels of the industry. " In the period covered by our

culminated with a triumph in the valuable Heim Novice Steeplechase at Ascot, probably represents the chief threat. Commandam made a promising first appearance of the season when third to Kilbroney at Ascot. The five-year-old is some to be the sharper for that race, but at the weights I just prefer Never Rock.

There is a magnificent crop of novice steeplechasers around at present. Havanus, The Dealer, Trustful, Ballet Lord and Kas are five horses who have shown great aptitude in this sphere. This afternoon the Mendip Hills Novices Steeplechase promises to throwmore light on the situation. There are several other promising young recruits in the field and I am siding with Strombolus, whose best effort last season came when beating Sweet Joe and 21 other runners in Windsor's New Year's Day Hurdle.

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Hi Mary, R. Pocock, 10-10
Jack Arthony, R. Turnell, 10-10
Jack Arthony, R. Turnell, 10-10
Lisastess Director, G. Balding, 10-10
Rhythm of Life, D. Gandoiro, 10-10
Softry, F. Winter, 10-10

130 MENDIP HILLS STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £2,113: 2m)

BADGER BI-CENTENARY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap:

iant, 4-1 Royal Marshal II, 9-2 Never Rock. 8-1 Bit of Manny, 12-1 Parkhouse, 20-1 o 2.30 RED MARU STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £658: 3m 1f)

11-4 Joint Venture, 4-1 Lochage, 5-1 Abo. 6-1 Court Stadow. 7-1 Tom Bembedil, 8-1 Bold Charlie, 10-1 Brown Jock, 16-1 others. 3.0 REMEMBRANCE POPPY HURDLE (Handicap: £631: 2m)

3.30 NOVICES HURDLE (Div II : 4-y-o : £464 : 2m)

Wincanton selections

By Our Racing Staff

The basic daily rate for all racecourses was increased significantly
and the minimum value of all flat
races, with the exception of selling, claiming, maiden, amateur
riders' and appremices' races,
was increased from £500 to £600.
All plates, with the exception of
novice hurdles, hunter chases and
selling races in group four jumping were eliminated and minimum
values for steeplechases and hurdle
races were also generally
increased.
Racecourse grouping for both

"In the period covered by our latest report, for example, the extremes of weather conditions will result in the loss of half a milkion pounds to the levy which far outwelghed the savings made on prize money. In addition, we compensated racecourses for the loss of some fixtures and helped in the cost of transfer of others. We also financed 20 extra days racing, made special abandonment payments to courses which were particularly hard lift, and introduced a 15 per cent premium to National Hunt prize money from May 2 to the end of the season.

"With the inflation rate declining and besting tornover rising again it is obviously appropriate to continue the controlled reduction in the level of our

Racecourse grouping for both flat and jumping was reviewed and a number of changes were made. Due to the narrowing of differentials between the lowest jumping groups because of increased prize money the number of racecourse groups for jumping was reduced from five to four. Grants to flat and jump pattern races were facreased by £87,000 and £15,000 respectively, and special feature grants for Ayr, Haydock Park and Newcastle totalled £88,000 as compared with £56,500 in the previous year.

To boost confidence at a time

of rapidly rising costs throughout the industry, the board announced their 1978 prize money contribu tion earlier than usual. Their 1978 contribution of £8.5m repre-sents a 40 per cent increase over

of key revenue for which we are hoping next year—so even tighter control over our expenditure seems inevitable."

The Board continued its policy of increasing prize money for the benefit of the whole industry. Its 1977 contribution rose by film to 166m.

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All plates, with the exception of a horse in training.

The board submitted detailed written evidence to the Royal Commission on Gambling in relation to both their inter The board tion to both their interim report and their mian injuiry. The board also assisted the Commission with a supply of statistical data.

A total of £1,794,106 was spent by the board on modernicales. A total of \$1,794,106 was spent by the board on modernization schemes at \$2 racecourses. In the allocation of money from the capital works pool, priority was again given to projects designed to improve conditions for those working in the industry and, in particular, to the provision of accommodation on racecourses for stable staff and jockeys. Large-scale improvements were carried out at Cheltenham, Chester, Market Rasen, Nottingham, Ripon, Stratford-on-Avon, Thirsk and Warwick.

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Problem for Forster

Mister Spy': convincing victory under top weight in the Geoffrey hot Steeplechase at Worcester vesterday left Tim Forster, his trainer, with a problem. Forster, who has had seven winners in the past five racing days, said: "I never dreamed he would win." I hover the way too short of the convertible of the convertible way too short of the convertible way to short of the conver thought he was too short of work."

Although the eight-year-old Master Spy did not appear to put a foot wrong this time, he is an animal who makes mistakes.

"Master Spy will obviously get 12 st 7 lb in ordinary races; so it only leaves the big ones. He's in the Hennessy Gold Cup at Newbury at the end of the month with 11 st and we shall have to think about that ", Forster said.

It was at the tenth fence that Thorner jumped Master Spy to the front and, going into the turn for home, he drew clear of his rivals. The odds-on favourite, Autumn

Charlie Mouse nearly made it a double for Forster in the Osbaldeston Steepleciase. Charlie Mouse was making her first appearance on a racecourse for 18 months after leg trouble and Thorner produced her with a rathling run from the last fence to get within a head of the Javourite, Party Line. of the Iavourite, Party Line.

There was another tight finish in the Vigornia Hurdle, in which Light Infantry and Valuable Coin came away from their rivals on the flat, racing neck and neck to the post, with Paul Leach getting Light Infantry bonk by a short head.

Palace, bought about six weeks ago at Ascot Sales for Mrs Mar-garet Blackmore, won first time out

Crofton Hall's Ascot chance

Crofton Hall will be John Dixon's first runer at Ascot. Crofton Hall, a home-bred eightycar-old. booked his ticket for the Black and White Whisky Gold Cup over two miles on November 19 when hacking up by 12 lengths from James Three in the Cherrytree Steeplechase at Kelso yesterday.

Jonjo O'Neill had Crofton Hall quickly into his stride and made every yard of the running. At the sixth fence, Brora unseated his rider, Colin Hawkins, and although Crofton Hall made a slight mistake three out, he never looked like being caught.

Dixon, with only four horses in his yard at Carlisle, has now had three successes and a second from four runners. "I don't like going down to Ascot, as I prefer having runners up here, but Jonjo will ride Crofton Hall there ", he said. O'Neill completed a double with ovices Hurdle (division one).

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1.15 BURTON JOYCE HURDLE (Div 1:4-y-o novices: £272:2m) Evens Roundtown, 4-1 Lucky Donation, 11-2 Benter, 12-1 Short Term, 14-1 Astro D'Argento, 16-1 Barnies Bell, 20-1

1.45 KINOULTON HURDLE (£272 : 2m) 1.45 KINOULTON HURDLE (£272: 2m)

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1 3200-0 Policy Lady. D. Wilkinson, 6-11-10

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5-1 Moor Lady. 9-2 Soldiers Field, 11-2 Warwick, Flyer, and Onics, 12-1 Washington Cal, S. Nesbitt, 6-11-0

Pla, 20-1 others.

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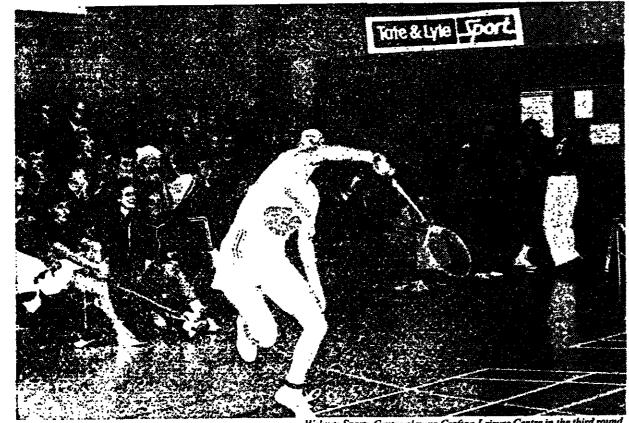
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2. 2325-f. Eberneckarsdouble, E. Carter, 8-12-0. M. Dickinson
5. 334024- Sybil. D. Nicholson. 6-11-19. M. Dickinson
6. 40740-0. Saffron Cake, B. Cambidge, 8-11-7. M. A. J. Wilson
7. 100-04. Contemble, Key, C. Hoyis, 10-10-4. M. A. J. Wilson
9. 100-04. Contemble, Key, C. Hoyis, 10-10-4. M. Gray
11. Opado-f. Gold Princs, R. Betherb, 8-10-0. M. Gray
12. G300fs- Garryve, J. Twoley, 5-10-0. J. Doyle
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3.15 LOWDHAM HURDLE (Handicap: £987: 25m)

3.45 BURTON JOYCE HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o novices: E272:

Southwell selections

1.15 Roundtown. 1.45 Warwick Flyer. 2.15 Canonbie Key. 2.45 Kings Oak. 3.15 CLEO'S ASP is specially recommended. 3.45 Happy Trio. By Our Newmarket Correspondent .15 Roundtown. 3.15 Tragus. 3.45 Happy Trio.



Tate & Lyle Sportswoman reaches fourth round-the area finals

There are now sixteen teams left in the Tate & Lyle Sportswoman Competition out of the 113 entered representing sports centres all over the country.

(Hometeamsfirst) Deeside Leisure Centre v Rowlinson Sports Centre NORTH WEST on Sunday, 13th November at 3.00 pm East Leake Leisure Centre v Bingham Sports Centre MIDLANDS FINAL on Sunday, 13th November at 4.00 pm Haltemprice Sports Centre v Concord Leisure Centre NORTH EAST (Date to be arranged) FINAL Luton Regional Sports Centre v Thetford Sports Centre EASTERN AREA on Sunday, 27th November at 3.00 pm FINAL Vale Farm Sports Centre v Dacorum Sports Centre LONDON FINAL on Sunday, 4th December at 7.00 pm Wallsend Sports Centre v Barrhead Sports Centre SCOTTISH & on Sunday, 20th November at 2.30 pm ORTHERN FINAL Walnuts Sports Centre v Worthing Sports Centre SOUTHERN FINAL on Friday, 18th November at 7.30 pm Match already played: WELSH FINAL Abertillery Sports Centre beat Ebbw Valc Leisure Centre

The Tate & Lyle Sportswoman is a knock-out competition between teams of women representing sports centres all over the country. Each match includes 5-a-side hockey, netball, table tennis. badminton, and a relay race, with points awarded for each. The sports centre with the highest points total at the end of the match proceeds to the next round. There will be a grand final between the last two

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Details of the draw for the Quarter-Finals will be published in the national press in duc course.

Newbury results

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MOIICO BINCES The new Rover 2300 The new Rover 2600

Dreaming of a new Rover 3500? It's time you stopped. Leyland Cars announce two new models, the Rover 2300 and the Rover 2600. Now there's a real opportunity for you to own one of the country's most desired cars at an even more reasonable price.

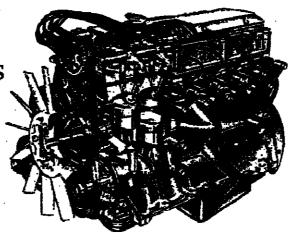
The new Rovers share the same, aerodynamic, fuel-conscious styling as the 3500. Inside, there's the same astounding roominess and equally meticulous level of appointment. Rover's award-winning attention to safety is there, from general design to smallest detail.

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Ronald Butt

The rate for the job: who should get what, and why

Who and what is a special case? For what reasons should premium pay be given? For danger and for excep-tional skill certainly. Incentive and just appreciation demand no less. But how much bonus, so to speak, should be added for unpleasantness, monotony or sheer boredom?

Certainly, the firemen look, by any account, underpaid and most of us understand their anger (even if we cannot yet bring ourselves to think that they will in the end be mastered by it). For which of us would do their job for the money they get-or indeed, for any money?

Personally, I could not scale the heights that they must and keep my head, and down a mine I should suffer from claustrophobia.

My nerve would also probably go if I had to work all day near a blast furnace, and the decibels of most factories would unseat my reason and I should suffer the monotony of the assembly line with frayed nerves.

But then, I also meet people practically every day who say: "I simply couldn't stand the pressure and the deadline", and I have to try to explain that but for the deadline. production would be put off and off-waiting for the perfect way of saying the thing one is no longer quite sure one wants to say, and that the problems (with which I won't hore you now) are really quite

Still, a job that is intolerable to one man is bearable, or even per-laps attractive, to another. So per-haps, after all, it is not altogether easy to calculate additions to pay for unpleasantness or deductions for

pleasantness. We would, however, all agree that a premium should be paid for a special sort of responsibility, whether it is the Prime Minister's, the chairman of ICI's or that of the surgeon who holds your life in his hands. And

comes into it. Their high pay is not simply to provide an incentive to do the job but to create living conditions which take some of the strain out of life, since a tired Prime Min-ister obliged to catch the No 11 bus could be an unnecessarily incompetent Prime Minister (and how much more if he had to catch the No 17 bus), while the importance of not having a tense and exhausted top surgeon who is seriously worried about the mortgage explains itself.

But, ugain, there is a different sort of resoonsibility to be taken into account: the kind that goes with the possession of such great industrial strength that it cannot (or almost cannot) be used. The miners ultimately have such strength though cannot) be used. The miners ultimately have such strength, though we could carry on for a bit without them. The electrical workers have it immediately, at the turn of a switch. That is why the electrical workers finally refrained from exerting their strength under Mr Heath's government and it is why (because it may mean life and death for many ordinary citizens; we hope they will refrain now. But other pressures than civic responsibility come into it.

civic responsibility come into it.

It used to be argued, when agonized over these matters in Mr Heath's time, that the reason why the miners could stick it out, and the electrical workers could not, was that when the miners went home that when the miners went nome they only met other miners and they were cocooned in their own little world of mutual reassurance where they seldom met with the general public.

But the electricity worker, it was said trent home to reighbours doing

said, went home to neighbours doing very different jobs, who felt themselves the victims of any electrical irresponsibility. The censure of their fellow-citizens' rage, and contempt for destructive action was therefore (on this argument) more than the electricity workers could be which tricity workers could bear-which

than the miners.

Whatever truth there is in that, the question of who should get what would be hard to reduce to a few formulae, even in the smoothest and most prosperous of times, and it is harder still in the backwash of a flat rate incomes policy which has dis-torted even the rough and ready differentials that are ordinarily created by supply and demand.

And so, inevitably, the old idea is beginning to emerge that perhaps some sort of incomes board could do the trick of deciding who, with justice, should get what.
But this is where we were when

Mr Aubrey Jones and the Prices and Incomes Board left the scene at the end of the previous Labour Government in 1970. The idea of the just wage was very fashionable at the time and it was the business of the PIB (duty consulting all concerned,

naturally) to snatch this clusive concept from the air and apply it, with the consent of all.

However, Mr Jones himself had been hearing the conclusion that this approach should not be restricted only to what we ordinarily think of as well as the conclusion of th unionized labour; it ought to be applied to "top jobs" as well and, indeed, the PIB issued a paper on the

I also remember Mr Jones saying, on one occasion, that we ought per-haps at least to see what lessons could be learnt from Czechoslovakia where a total system of job evalua-tion existed. And there, of course, you have the answer. I do not for a moment doubt that you can impose a total policy for incomes distribution if you can back it up with the power of an arbitrary political system in which the unions are an organ of the state, wages policy can be dic-tated, and labour can be directed

and drafted, if need be. It would,

The chairman of ICI (or whatever he would be called) might get less than now on paper, and so (perhaps) would the Prime Minister and the chief bureaucrats. But what they lost in open pay, they would make up in fringe benefits even more concealed than those that operate in our own society—the special accommodation, particular facilities, access to scarce consumer goods, and so on. In all societies, power contrives to take its

own reward.

No doubt it would be possible to arrive at a concept of who should get what, but I doubt if this could be based on everyone's freely given agreement. It would have to be imposed. So, in the end, what would be the real validity (in terms of "justice") of a pattern of wage distribution reached (even though with

tribution reached (even though with due consultation) in a committee room, and imposed by the force of the state? Precious little.

It is precisely the discortions of a flat rate incomes policy on differentials, including the firemen's, the miners' and those of the police, that have bred the present disconcents. The lesson to be drawn from this is surely that, in the end, you have to pay what you need to pay to get the job done, and to attract enough mento do it in reasonable contentmentand you are probably then paying as near the "just" wage as is possible. In other words, you are paying the market rate.

This can never produce a final and

This can never produce a final and perfect answer. It will produce anomalies and unfairness which the state has to rectify. It will produce frequent adjustments because frequent adjustments because people's idea of what they will do, and how much they will do it for, changes. And of course, such a method is a huge challenge to the

has to pay what seems to be an exorbitant wage to get a job done, it must see that the price of the product, and not the public purse, bears the consequences—even if the price has to be raised to the point at which the product is in danger of being priced out of the market.

If those who make wage demands know this and this is the proper area of discussion between govern-ment, managers and employees—they will temper their behaviour accordingly. In the end, no incomes board be a substitute for a free market and free bargaining, collective or individual, in wages, and for an honest financial policy in govern-ments. We ought not to have to learn that lesson all over again.

Mr David Lane, chairman of the Commission for Racial Equality, is entitled to criticize as strongly as he likes the argument of my article (October 27) on racial litigiousness. He is not entitled to allege that I "distort and mislead", and base this allegation on a suggestion that I said what I did not say. He states in his article of November

4 that I have "got the law wrong" because the Attorney General and not the CRE is responsible for prosecutions for racial incitement. I am aware of this and nowhere did I say the contrary, unless Mr Lane has chosen to construe the joke about Dr

chosen to construe the joke about Dr Johnson and a mythical eighteenth century CRE as implying this.

Secondly, he suggests that I said that the CRE was "obliged" to take up every individual complaint of discrimination. In fact I said not that the CRE was "obliged" to take up any tase but that it was "entitled" to do which it is

The facts that cry out for a wider police inquiry

case, the police refer back to the analysis and findings of the last Royal Commission on the Police in 1960 which had, among its' tasks, to examine
"the broad principles which
should cover the remuneration
of the constable."

complaints against them, and in their relationship with the public. The incidents which led to the appointment of the comless so.
They include the uncovering

of deep-seated corruption in the Metropolitan Police, the accountability of the force and whether it should be inspected, like any other, by HM Inspec-tors of Constabulary.

tors of Constabulary.

Questions of principle are also raised by the operation of the Public Order Act, the increasing violence of demonstration, the threat of terrorism and the techniques developed by the police to deal with them. Above all, how are these changes offering the distinct changes affecting the distinc-tive and much admired nature of the British police and their relations with the public?

relations with the public?
As in 1960, the pay issue is part of a much deeper seismic disturbance. The police are best understood as craftsmen. They came into being in the last century, which also saw the expansion of the docks, coal industry and railways. They, too, have suffered industrial friction as modernization trial friction as modernization has answered demands for increased productivity.

Like them, the police service has its own craft traditions and practices. A senior officer in Birmingham is called the gaffer"; in the Metropolitan, he "guynor". Like all such jobs, police work has deve-loped its own jargon. The kinky theft of women's under-wear from clothes lines is known in Scotland as " a snow-drop". While social reformers are understanding of the right of hippies and tramps to drop out of society, the police term for them is "slag" A CID officer who cuts corners through regulations is known as " swift '

"Practical coppers" are much admired because they are good at "feeling collars", if arrest is resisted and offend ers have to be restrained forci-bly. On the other hand, graduates of the special course at the Police College, Bramshil, are sometimes called "five-day

of a policaman's trade may be television to show new handed down literally from methods in action in a recent case, so stimulating debate quite tribal in character. With about their uses. Ground rules the aid of Police Review I need to be worked out. Control traced one family's continuous service back to 1840. I also retraced the steps of a reporter who wrote a feature their joint struggle from outside. Their present edilance may be an aneasy one but it is all they have got. They seem unwilling to put at risk what they have gained on the battle-field in order to take part in

billiards upstairs; Waterloo Bridge, known in 1891 as the "Bridge of Sighs", is still a favourite place for suicides; and whereas news then came over the telegraph of a prize fight at Hampstead, I heard a radio message about a punchup outside a public house in
South London.
Two changes threaten the
corpus of knowledge and tradi-

e-vote election is no tion that has been handed down since Victorian times.

Nicholas Ashford new police forces which, by

Rocking the musical myth

life being what it is, he a system which holds the purse strings in key with more "real" wages beneath than on the surface.

The chairman of ICI (or whatever has to pay what seems to be an too limited. As part of their technological revolution.

tendency towards centralization and specialization. With the aid of computers, packet radios and greater mobility, the police service is developing an of the constable.

The commission went on to recommend in 1962 reforms in the exercise of control over pappings, hostage-taking and in the handling of international terrorism, has As wanted men can travel

swiftly over long distances, it mission were important and disquieting, but issues that necessary for policemen to have arisen since are hardly have quick access to information stored centrally.

> craftsmanship of the police, on which their special and much prized relationship with the public depends, can survive. this revolution. There are warning signs that, because the policeman has to respond more and more to calls on him as communications improve, he will have less opportunity to develop a close relationship with the public and to exercise, with the aid of the knowledge he builds up, the greatest power a policeman has-of

Policemen say that because the few that are available for the best, inexperienced officers are being forced into the front line. Moreover, the corpus of knowledge and experience in the police cannot so easily be passed on to them.

The quality of policing on the streets is also being diluted by the calls on manpower made by the number and variety of specialist squads. The need for specialist answers to special problems has always existed. But their development into more and more day-to-day police work means that the local policeman has less opportunity to see jobs through from beginning to end. He is becoming less of a craftsmand more of an assembly-line worker, doing his bit and passing the job on.

The development of a whole armoury of technology to aid policemen in terrorism—listening mini-cameras and the like—has opened the possibility of their wider use. Radar traps are an example of a surveillance mol that has become commonplace. he Police College, Bramshill, are sometimes called "five-day wonders".

Like many a craft, the tricks a valuable service in allowing the policeman's trade may be handed down literally from methods in action in a recent case. So stimulating debate case so stimulating debate. over telephone tapping is a useful precedent, though there

is unnecessary secrecy about the extent of its use. Fortunately, a counter-revolu-tion is also taking place. Some police forces are aware not only of the benefits of technology but also of the dangers of over-reliance upon it. They are acting to restore links with the community and invite its participation in crime prevention. There is no substitute for local through days of the local transledges. knowledge of people by local policemen. Computers can never hope to match it.

But that depends upon man-power, and manpower depends on pay. The issues are linked in a way that makes necessary an inquiry of deeper and wider scope than Lord Edmund-

Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

Why a simple election is no longer enough for the war-weary Rhodesians

Salisbury creasing number of whites increasing burdens both on Government, a task which is leaving the country, is putting family life and on the economic twelfth anniversary of its enormous strain on the Euro-mic health of the nation. the twelfth anniversary of its enormous strain Unilateral Declaration of Indepen population.

Lord Carver, the Resident of the Cammissioner-designate, has been and gone without making any significant headway except that he managed to avoid outright rejection of the Auglo-American settlement proposals by either the Rhodeman Government or the Xationalist Patriotic Front san Government or the Nationalist Patriotic Front

organization.

But the gulf between the Government and the Front Seems wider than ever. The Government still seems to be tainking in terms of an inter-Government still seems to be tainking in terms of an internal settlement once the present British plan has failed. Mr Joshua Nkomo, supposedly the more medicate of the Franciscopic of th more moderate of the Front's they would go along with a two leaders, has been talking reasonable on Moscow of creating a morrow if one could be arranged."

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I teased.

"Sometimes;" she

reflected,"The most beautiful things in life are the simplest."

"Like smooth pebbles on a beach,

"And watches you wind up by hand?"

She glanced at her wrist. And smiled, half to herself. "And Audemars Piguet

The plain golden face of her watch

was relieved only by a delicately engraved

rim, matching the smooth links of the

bracelet which curved round her lightly

tanned wrist, like a fine ribbon of solid

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watch had cost £2,240.

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or the first snow-flakes in winter."

watches," she murmured.

rendence with the prospects of constitutional settlement still apparently as distant as ever.

Lord Carver, the Resident row their differences, the

This change in attitude is the result of a growing sense Meanwhile the war goes on, of war-weariness. This does not Meanwhile the war goes on, of war-wearness, into does not taking an increasing toll of mean that defeatism is in the black and white lives. Last month 233 "terrs" (a decognometry term for black insurgents) were killed, the second for years if necessary. But the linguist monthly figure since lengthy military call-ups (190 the mean through the property of the second state of the second highest monthly figure since lengthy military call-ups (190 the war began. The number of days a year for those aged 38 whites being killed is also rising. This, together with the in-rising casualty rate are placing

The white business community in particular is pressing hard for a settlement. The economy has performed amazingly well in the face of sanctions and other outside pressures but now the strains of sures, but now the strains of British-American initiative, war is beginning to tell. Business leaders are convinced that of the British proposals and if a settlement could be found which protected white interests then Rhodesia could quickly experience an economic

assurances that any settlement will contain safeguards con-cerning ownership of farms, the maintenance of infrastructure and, above all, the main-tenance of law and order.

There is also a sense of war-weariness among the nation's 6,500,000 blacks, the people who are caught in the middle between the security forces who are "defending" them who are "defending" them and the guerrillas who are "liberating" them, The two main internally-

based nationalist movements led by Bishop Muzorewa and the Rev Ndabanngi Sithole both want to see a peaceful settlement—and by all accounts they command far wider support than does the Patriotic Front. However, the problem

apparent desire to score theap political points off Britain's latest negotiator.

It is now clear following Lord Carver's visit that there are two major obstacles impeding the success of the present British-American initiative.

what could be termed the "external dimension" caused by the internationalization of the Rhodesia problem.

Lord Carver was left in no

bonanza.

The country's 6,000 white farmers who produce 80 per cent of Rhodesia's agricultural output are also ready for a settlement, according to the vice-president of the National Farmer's Union, Mr Dennis Norman, but they want Lord Carver was left in no doubt during his five-day stay in Rhodesia that the whole question of security was the key to the success of any settlement proposals. As he vice-president of the National Farmer's Union, Mr Dennis Rhodesians wanted to know that law, order, peace and security would be maintained and that it would be safe for them to stay on after independence.
The question of security dur-

ing the transitional period and after independence unites all white Rhodesians, no matter what their political affiliations. If they are to remain in the country there must be a creditable, disciplined force to maintain law and order. This, they believe, can only be assured by maintaining the existing Rhodesia Security Forces more or less intact.
The British settlement pro-

The British settlement pro-posals call for the disbanding of certain Rhodesian military units and the establishment of a new Zimbabwe army "based on the liberation forces". While the new army is being created the United Nations and the police would be respon-sible for law and order. remains how to transform this widespread desire for a settlement into tangible shape.

This is the task now facing Lord Carver and the British sible for law and order.
The Patriotic Front, on the

If only they were friends

of that Marsia Falkender....

Rhodesian army completely disbanded and replaced by its own force. If that happened there would be a mass exodus of Rhodesian whites similar to the one which took place in neighbouring Mozambique. White fears on this score are

to a large extent shared by the internally-based nationalist nationalist internally-based nationalist movements. They have no guerrilla armies of their own and realize that the incorporation of significant numbers of Patriotic Front soldiers in a new Zimbabwe force would be greatly to their disadvantage. They therefore have a vested interest in seeing that the interest in seeing that the existing Rhodesian security forces, 80 per cent of which are black, rather than the "liberation armies" provide

nocration armies" provide the basis of the new force. Both the internal Both the internal nationalists and Rhodesian whites fear that the British proposals as they now stand could lead to a Frelimo-type situation developing in Rhodesia in which the Patriotic Frout, being the organization with the guns, would impose itself on the country during the transitional period before independence.

The Rhodesian Government as well as the Muzorewa and Sithole nationalist organizations have accused Britain of paying too much heed to the

paying too much heed to the Patriotic Front line "presidents. This charge is perhaps justified, but Britain maintains that because the Rhodesian situation has become internationalized accelerations states and the states of the paying the payi lized a settlement has got to be internationally acceptable.
As, therefore, the Patriotic Front has the backing of the front line" states, the Organization of African Unity and the UN, it would be hard

for any settlement which did not involve the participation of the Front.

One possible way around this would be to divide Mr Nkomo's wing of the Patriotic Front from that led by Mr Robert Mugabe and then engineer his return to Rhodesia to participate in elections. This is what Mr Santh

tried to do when he went to see President Kaunda in Lusaka in September.

The problem with this scenario is that Mr Nkomo is perfectly aware that he would not stand much chance of winning an election on his own. He would have to enter an alliance with one or other of the internelly-based movements which neither of them seem prepared to consider at this

For the moment the two patriotic front leaders feel they are better off pursuing unwilling to put at risk what they have gained on the barrie-field in order to take part in an election which they would probably lose.

It is a tragic reflection on the way the Rhodesian prob-ler, has been allowed to deteriorate that at a time when the white Government has finally accepted the principle of majority rule it seems that a straight-forward test of opinion by means of a one-man-one-vote election is no longer all that is required.

THE TIMES DIARY/ PHS

Blowing the trumpet for our heroes

As a spectacle of male chaurin-ism it was unrivalled. My invi-tation to the Men of the Year tation to the Men of the Year Lunchcon at the Savoy yester-day actually stated that it was "for men only". Diarists of the other sex, it is true, were permitted to meet the 11 hunky recipients of the accolade over drinks pre-prandially.

The actual luncheon, however, was all male and very rungedly so Not a long light in

ruggedly so. Not a long hair in sight (except for Steve Ovett, who looked pretty bored any-way) when Richard Baker (who seems to grow smaller in pro-portion to his fame) rose to read the citations. The Duke of Devonshire, who is chairman of the Royal Association for Dis-ability and Rehabilitation (the organizers of the awards) looked

organizers of the awards) looked on approvingly as the guest speakers trod boldly into masculine affairs.

Bill Clark, MP, the deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, felt that in Britain we do not blow our trumpet sufficiently over our quota of heroes. Alec Bedser (who said "snap" when he spotted my MCC tic) obviously wished, that certain cricketers were more heroic, but refused to discuss the matter. The other guest speaker was

defend their double sculls world title next year, it was hard to look much beyond

Seven of the Men of the Year won citations for acts of bravery—the more beroic their acts the less they seemed inclined to talk about them. The eleventh name on the list was that of Dr Frederick Sanger, the Nobel Prize winner. Steve Race.

Apart from Mr Ovett, I was glad to see my old friends Chris Baillieu and Mike Hart among the select 11. Rowing must be one of the hardest amateur sports in which to succeed and Mr Baillieu said that while they His work on the chemical struc-flis work on the chemical struc-ture of the entire genetic blue-print of living organisms baffled me. So I talked cricket to Ken Barrington and John Edrich, who both looked very fit.

Message from the Norwich union

Viscount Norwich must have been glad he took his mother to a lunch-time speaking engagement yesterday. Lady Diana Cooper was such an attentive listener and such a useful interjector. And, in that jaunty black-peaked sailor's cap, flying the pennant of the Royal Yacht Ckub, she lent an air of distinction to the toop table (not, you understand, that it would otherwise have leacked it).

To make access to historic piles Reing a keen student of Angermore difficult. Except for the win affairs and, able as I am, to aged and disabled, chunch in recite 'arge chunks of Murder to religion while his manager wies to push him towards punk.

Spawmed in Cambridge, the the Cockpit Theatre in north London of the latest musbashed, echoed her words. Then his lordship moved on rock musical, Rock-abye to efforts to save our own to efforts to save our own to efforts to save our own air of distinction to the toop table (not, you understand, that it would otherwise have lacked it).

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Lord Norwich was at the Royal Opera House—not on stage but in the Crush Bar, which is just as theatrical—to talk about the National Trust to the Association of Women in Public Relations.

At one point, he talked about tourist pollution—the 40 million

fingers stroking the same bit of marble in the Acropolis, Some way would have to be found

Carry on spying

Lord Home of the Hirsel, former Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary once had the reputation of being a "spy hunters". He was telling the Conservative Commonwealth and Overseas Council about it the other night,

"I was accused of talking. about the Communist Party so much that people said it was counter-productive," Locd Home recalled. They said: "He sees Reds under the bed everywhere. But when I sacked 105 Russian spies in September 1971, they

When he sat down to much applause, Lady Diana contributed two "Very goods". I got the feeling that the professional PR ladies present, representing everything from lipstick to the Goldhall, not only enjoyed wanting the mother-son rapport but had learned a thing or two from amazeurs about how to get your message across.

Replying to a question, Lord

found there was good reason for my remarks and I was excused by 'extravagance'."

put a ceiling on it, at any rate in the embassy and in the made mission", he added. Unless the present Government had been very negligent, they will not have exceeded that ceiling.

"I was amused to find that one of the gentlemen whom I threw out of Erizain has now been thrown out of Yugoslavia by Marshal Tito", said Lord Home. "He is on the job the whole time."

Mr Ronay was seeking a dis-tributor in north America, and approached the Penguin sub-

Home said that of course the Russians were still operating their spy system. "But we have put a ceiling on it, at any rate

Which is a little surprising, since at the time he was stay-ing in a hotel in the Isle of Wight, chosen without reference

Spawned in Cambridge, the stow comes to the London finge with the intention of assaulting cherished beliefs from T. S. Eliot to Tamla Motown and from Johnny Rotten to the superstar myth. Will its Canterbury setting, it should be fun as well as allegorical. Beckett runs-for four nights only in the first instance.

Not misguided?

Beckett, the rock star of the sixties, who rejects sex and

It was by a tormous route, I learnt at the launching at the Mirabelle yesterday, that Egon Ronay's 1978 Guide came to be published in association with Penguin Books.

sidiary there. Viking Penguin.
They asked John Hitchin, marketing director of Penguin, what he knew of Ronay and he said.

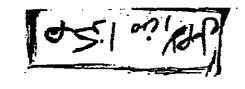
"wonderful" and followed it

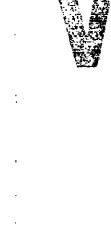
to any guide, and conducted the negotiations throughout from a small back room among the sman back room among me clanking lifts.

Now if he had actually used the wonderful Romay guide himself, he would have known to insist on a large seafront room, or to opt for the quiet cottage annexe 100 yards away.

The annual review of Renault activities claims: "Renault has the most dense dealer network in Europe" Remailt UK asked for "dense" to be changed to "extensive" for the next edition of the annual It has been changed to "expensive" expensive.

In a grand, democratic gesture that I hope will not go unnoticed by Disgranded, Far Left, the programme for the London Film! Festival which opens at the National Film Theatre next well. lists everybody who will be doing their bit, from controller to cleaners. The international complexion of the festival is reflected in the names of some of the usherettes; they include Film! Urnp-Jensen, Elka Tupiak, Irona Majka and Markale. Spitch: Also usbeing (and not, as you might have expected, beloing with the catering) are Chiese and Jeanette Relig.





A ripple in Britain need not send a shock wave round the world

By Srikumer Sen

Alan Minter, after his victory for the third successive year over his arch rival. Kewin Finnegan, to regain the British middleweight title this time by the margin of one point, is eager to get on to the world title bout promoters have been promising. He reiterated his threat to quit if a title chance did not come up soon. They keep saying "Win this one and you'll get a world championship thance." Minter's manager, Doug Bidwell, said. "Alan has seen other men get their chances and he has beaten enough world-class fighters to deserve a chance himself.

and be has beaten enough; world-class fighters to deserve a chance himself. If he does not have his nurn that will be that."

To which Harry Levene, the Vembley promoter, replies:
"Minter must not be too impatient. I want to give him a chance. My next date is March 7 and I'm going to get to work, but he must remember that these things take time." things take time."

things take time."

For once I find myself seeing a promoter's view. I find it difficult to understand how a title changing hands in Britain can send a ripple along a world championship quene. Gratien Tonna, of France, and Ronnie Harris, of the United States, are already gloving up for the final eliminator. Besides, I cannot see what new qualities Minter paraded in this ring that warrants a reappraisal ring that warrants a reappraisal of the world middleweight scene. If anything, it showed a paucity of punching variety. Minter jabbed, jabbed, jabbed, much of the time moving away before the

blow could land with what power it carried. Of course, it could be argued that this was his strategy for this bout, and he stuck

to it.

Finnegan played into his hands by staying close to his man. He could not break through Minter's defences to give him a going over, which is what Finnegan is best at. So sluggish was Finnegan that his half-hearted leads to the stomach got him into trouble more often than not. Finnegan's tactics were perplexing. He allowed Minter to force ahead early and dictate the pace for most of the confest. Then, in the 12th round, sensing victory, Minter cut and ran. If Finnegan had stood back and let Minter make the openings the outcome could have been different, for though Finnegan landed fewer blows his were more tailing.

There were moments, however, when Minter followed up his jabs with body blows. They were a delight. But they were never sustained or repeated often enough. I would like to have seen more of this from Minter, and against world-class opposition it might become more evident. Cannot Bennie Briscoe, who could be kicking his heels around after his defeat by Valdes, be persuaded to come here and nur Minter through his paces? In the meanime those at the top of the queue could be sorting matters out.

There were two other southpaws on view at Wembley, the Antiguan-born Maurice Hope and a Ugandan, Cornelius Boza-Edwards. Hope retained his Euro-

pean light-middleweight title by disposing of the French challen-ger, Joel Bonnetzs, in the fifth round. It was a polished display from Hope. No fills, just the right amount of dash. The Frenchman was chased round the ring while trying to get the bang of Hope's southbaw stance. He re-minded me of a top rounding out mingeo me of a up running out and finally flopping to the floor. An unfouny thing happetted to his name on his way to this particular theatre. It evidently does not travel too well. Bonnetaz in France became Bonnetaz at the

France became Bonnatez at the Empire Pool—an awiward sea-change that gave some of my colleagues not a few hiccups, for there was the programme spelling (or perhaps misspelling) it out in 72pt bold caps.

Hope can now look forward to a world dide with Italy's Rocky Mattioli. And for a man who came back home after he had made good abroad, unlike some top men who run the other way to evade tax. I hope promoters will do him proud.

No Wembley bill seems com-

Thomas will not give up the good fight

The ill-fated professional boxing tournament at the Sobell Centre, Hendon, as a substitute top of Islington, due to take place on November 22, has been cancelled by Tom Keily, of Brighton, at be 180 to have featured a British heavyweight championship contest by Tom Keily, of Brighton, at billy Aird in a contest in a Seybling bout, and Thomas considers heavyweight championship contest between Richard Dunn and attraction.

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lest between Richard Dunn and Billy Alrd, but Dunn put an end to that by anneuncing his retirement a fortnight ago.

Thomas signed a then unbeated Leicester heavyweight, Neil Mal-

"I am determined to bring along the kids who do not get a chance, without bowing and crawling to people who keep putting on the same old fighters at the same old halls", he said yesterday.

let them down in Europe

Political manoeuvring and a lack of support from British ministers and athletics officials were blamed yesterday for the failure of Edinburgh to win the 1982 European championships. The city's Lord Provost, Mr Kenneth Borthwick, told a press conference: "We play cricket right down the middle but that, it seems, was not the name of this particular game."

The application by the British by the Home Secretary, Mr Kenneth sparticular game."

The application by the British by the Home Secretary, Mr Membrant and the Championships at Meadow-bank Stadium, Edinburgh, fimished bottom of the poll in Seville last week. The event is to be held in Athens. The Lord Provost said that the Greeks had managed to acquire the support of the entire Eastern European block on the 16-man council of the European is lamentable."

Amateur Athletic Association. The other competing comuries and were all supported by their governments, but the Edinburgh spilication had the efficient and "support. A letter written by the Home Secretary, Mr Membrant, he added. Another councillor described it as "like an invitation to a birthday party, saying, "you can come if you want."

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Mr Borthwick said it was no becret that the Minister with responsibility for Sport, Mr Denis Howell, had described the decision by the British Amateur Athletic Eoard to promote Meadowbank instead of Crystal Palace as "lamentable".

Edinburgh feel Government | Government aid advised for Nurburgring

Bonn, Nov 9.—A West German parliamentary committee today recommended that the government should help pay for the reconstruction of the country's most famous grand prix motor racing circuit, the Nürburgring. The budgetary affairs committee promajor shareholder in the company which owns the track, should make available at least DM5m for the project, officials said.

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Total costs for the building of a new, shorter 4.375 mile circuit have been eenservatively estimated at DM70m. Grand prix drivers boycotted the track this year because they said that its present length of 14.2, miles made it too dangerous. It is the longest formula one course in the world.

Hockey

When Guest could not refuse an invitation

By Sydney Friskin Cambridge University 3 HA XI 1 There was a time when the Hockey Association picked a strong senior side for their annual match against Cambridge University, the object being to teach the young men the arts and graces of the game. The picture changed

in recent years and yesterday at Fenner's the England Under-21 side representing the HA were beaten by the University.

The result emphasized the importance of competitive bookey. their appearance at Folkestone in

goals.

A lot of good hockey was seen in the match which was watched by an English selector. Cambridge played susprisingly well, considering they had achieved only one victory in five London League matches. They were brilliantly held together yesterday by Guest, their captain, whise powers of command had a marked influence

on his men.

Cambridge saw the advantage of fast wing play but the HA were the first to benefit from this ploy. Francis raced down the right flank in the first minute, earned a free hit which put the ball in the path of Hayward coming in fast on the left and the ball was quickly driven into the net. was quickly driven into the ner.
With Great, to guide them,
Cambridge began to steer a
steadier course. Their running
and passing began to look sharper
and in the mineteenth minute they
were back in the game. Western
went through on the right and
centred for Van Delden to score
from a scramble near the line.
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A restrottled HA side went into the second half with Perry, of Reading, replacing Dauban. But after eight minutes Cambridge began to attack strongly along th fianks and a scramble from a short corner invited Guest to score. Western converted a penalty stroke in the twentieth minute





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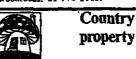


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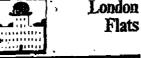
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by Prudence Glynn





Only Orlando, Virginia hero/heroine, would be ideally happy in the fashions of the moment, bought, no doubt, with some of the guineas left from the sale of the tenth pearl of her string. The transition from boyish charm to feminine allure which he/she found so confusing at first could have been eased by a few judicious purchases.

Yves St Laurent (above) Corduroy jacket, trimmed with cord, to be worn with a flounced skirt, or with tights like a Renaissance page boy. St Laurent, 113 New Bond St. and other branches.

Chloé (above right) Soft midcalf cashmere/silk mix dress, tucked up to show black satin thigh boots. Chloé, 173 New Bond St.

Black silk taffeta ballgown, trimmed with black velvet and in black. Gold sandals by Christian Dior from Charles Jourdan, Knightsbridge. ("Never have I seen my own skin look to such advantage as now. Could I, however, leap over-board and swim in clothes like

Opportunity knocks but who answers?

Would you like to have a good, steady job as a designer with one of the best run and top level fashion houses in London? Would you welcome the chance to take managerial responsibility when the boss is away, to process work com-plere private and wholesale orders, soothe the ruffled, select the staff, and apprehend (merfully, of course) shoplifters who are having a field day in the current blackouts? No, it seems you would not. To judge by the applications for just such a post which was advertised recently in the Draper's Record. The letters in response to the advert ranged from the puerile to the impertinent but mostly lodged, oh

lackaday for our art education system, in the niche marked I should have been depressed

by such information at any time, but especially after Dr David Owen's speech last week to the Industrial Chamber of Commerce in London, Dr Owen according to The Times heading criticized "yesterday's firms" and wind that we much according to The Times headline criticized "yesterday's their industry, and have lots of firms" and said that we ought to give more thought to replacing "yesterday's industries "areas in which competition from Third World countries (read between the lines, perhaps, low labour cost into a moot point whether Ley-countries) are giving us a real land would have needed even to run for our money, among consider (I put it no more run for our money, among them, textiles and shoes. As it happens, I agree completely with Dr Owen's view on outdated or inappropriate in-dustries, though not having seen his full text I do not know dated or inappropriate industries, though not having So, surely, it is going to have
seen his full text I do not know to be with our textile business,
whether he went on to include for as long as we support the coal-mining and car production. It raining programme. We must be based on political expediency it which brings me back to the must be based. I presume, on start of this story. Why were provided the applications so dishearen. narive talent. We are a radical the applications so disheartenand innovative people, so why ing? are we not developing alternation is well not grind through the tive sources of energy which separation between industry tive sources of energy which do not include raping the Vale of Belvoic, and why are we not leaving the production of motor cars to our EEC chums or

come to textiles you come again to a political expedient designers are doing 50 per cent of have in the past rehearsed or more abroad. You have to the ambivalent attitude which I find between State supports of an enormous and immensely expensive system of fashion have in Italy Milan, Florence, textile design education and a Rome, Venice, and in Germany, discrete "opinion" that we Berlin, Dusseldorf, Hamburg, be Jorn Langberg, who heads to circ one man or more abroad. You have to bior if I had to circ one man in the man hand, and handful may buy it in England to circ one man who exemplifies fashion hard we would be realize that whereas in. say who exemplifies fashion hard we would be supported by the colours, inimitation and a language for his house, it would be supported by the colours of t

consider (I put it no more firmly) a slush fund if what they were producing had really wanted by enough people?

of Belvoir, and why are we not again, but I will cut into some the advertisement.

cars to our EEC chums or placed the advertisement.

those whose sales figures prove "Unless you know how to only too frankly that this is self yourself, you can never what the public wants?

But of course when you high price merchandise in high price merchandise in the best of course you come to textiles you come. But of course when you designers are doing 50 per cent to or, you can buy Christian

and education which I witness again, but I will cut into some

There is always the cachet of famous foreign names, but you can still come unstuck unless the collection matches the market. Take, for example, the French, Browns in South Molton Street carries ravishing

French and Italian styles, the Elle shops sport the young chic French look, and then we have the new Chloe Shop in Eand Street (it used to be Abdullah Cigarettes) where the hooled can buy their fuvourite Karl Laverfield little notations and which since it is edited by tedited is the crucial word) Clure Rendlesan, I have no hesitation in soying it will be a success. After all, the met's a success of Yves St Laurent Rive Gauche, when everyone said the prices were outrageous and the style bizarre. Then you can buy the inimitable Kenzo Takada, introduced to England on this page, as it happens, and

ought to leave such unsuphistic and then the resorts like Monte cated, labour intensive, trad, Carlo, and of course in America stuff to countries which are, it is like 50 different countries, unsuphisticated, traditional in a really good designer now has their industry, and have lots of their industry, and have lots of cheap hand labour . . said countries being thus enabled to purchase our complicated to purchase our complicated. They process works two ways, the carbet of clientele he is expected to Langberg has, with exquisite skill, brought the glamour and the unspoiled look of Marc Bohan in Paris to the thrifty, essentially London based clientele he is expected to dress. I have always thought that one particular Royal lady has never looked more handsome (and jazzy) than when in some (and jazzy) than when in his clothes.

But chauvinist at the last. I must comment on two collections which seem to me to exemplify just what Jorn Langberg was talking about, and practising so successfully in Britain. Knowing your market. retaining a style, pushing abroad.

The first collection is that of Bruce Oldfield, which I thought was outstanding, I cannot see Times readers sporting it in Shropshire, but then he does not actually want them to. Oldfield's collection is aimed straight and true at the rich resorts of America, and it is stunning. Beautiful colours, the right fabrics, discretion mixed with indiscretion to cover all ages and all aspirations, Magnificent. So too is the collec-tion of Zandda Rhodes. Again,



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London's dockland looks to the future

by Christopher

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A start has been made, and the conspicuous development up to the year arbivements, for example, at 2000 cossing £1,200m, with the fleet/River Line, restifficulties remain. In the past few years the Government, the Labour-controlled GLC and the dockland which links Northern Italy, boroughs have been laying London and Germany's industrial the foundations for what the foundations for what would be, if it succeeds, one Labour said in its election for the great changes in the for Labour it was not to ital for incusing, shopping that there will now be a long period of uncertainty about the line.

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Considering the position, officers on the dockland than dockland for which was fifteen to manifesto.

A deputation from the council recently spent a day looking round the free port considering the position, officers on the dockland than dockland. The Government to dockland the GLC's proposals for works and improvements to the present rail network would provide an adequate interim solution which would not inhibit any future confirm solution.

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their mark. Mr Horace docklands joint committee, controlled the co

the council acknowledges and industry. that there will now be a long

The money has gone to a attracting development but spending of \$50,000 on a number of road and rail pro- also of enabling the public scheme to stimulate induspects which can be completed authorities on whose invest- rial and commercial interests

In the longer term the GLC is campaigning for the Despite the Government's establishment of a free port stand, he announced that the for the dockland area. The soil investigation for the idea had been raised before, line would continue, and but the present administrative council would promote tion has brought to it a new treature believing that a legislation to empower its urgency, believing that a construction. Behind the duty-free area near London public defiance, however, could stimulate commerce

A deputation from the

istration est County Hall as they carry on and adjust the joint dockland policy. Under the partnership scheme with the Government the council

Wider role for office location bureau

It appeared at first that the 1977. During the same central London, or a foreign new role given to the Locaperiod, however, the bureau business moving to Livertion of Offices Bureau in encouraged the establishment pool. Foreign firms would May was a complete reverof at least 49,000 jobs in look at Britain with different of its previous 14-year Greater London, excluding ent eyes from British businessistence. But things are the central area, and the bureau was able to estimated at 1,500 in inner bureau has had discussions while alarmed at mismer-London.

declining

tacturing industries, over the last few years has led to shameful decay in the inner areas, and the Government is now embarked on a policy to tackle that decay and its causes.

Atthough much of the debate more than pious kopes, the has centred on the loss of bureau has an unanswerable case for strengthening its fears have been expressed muscle.

C.W. auses. In line with the policy, Mr hore, Secretary of State for

the Environment, announced on May 17 that the bureau's somewhat narrow role would

rere added to the bureau's erms of reference to cerns so that they locate Beyond the South-east, office employment in LOB research shows that, Britain; and to give particular attention to the promoa substantial proportion of lar attention to the promo-tion of office employment in inner urban areas. In the case of London this excluded the Central London area, largely the City and the West End, the parts from which the bureau had been decanting office staff for 14 years.

the bureau had been decanting office staff for 14 years. inner urban areas such as
The Order in Council London's docklands, and
giving the bureau these new then with the encouragement
tasks came into force in of international jobs in
August, but apart from the
lack of staff and money,
there is a good deal of research in progress which
will be needed to help it to
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One charge the bureau is bureau has prepared a leafanxious to dispel is that it let offering its services to has been responsible for the decline in jobs in central "We are aiming for a bettendon. In hard facts, ter distribution", Mr Pat 2,026 firms and 145,155 jobs Maconchy, secretary, said. were moved under LOB This could mean an intersponsorship from 1963 to national bank moving into

pretations of its change of clothes.

Although now those misconceptions have been cleared up the bureau faces another difficulty. Neither extra staff nor money has been provided by the Government to allow the full implementation of its new role, and indeed the autumn advertising campaign of the bureau scarcely reflects it.

When the LOB was set up

bureau scarcely reflects it.

When the LOB was set up in 1963, its function was to "encourage the determeditation of office employment from congested Central London to suitable centres elsewhere".

That was at a time when the previous decade had seen an increase of 150,000 people raveling daily at peak hours to the centre of London and when the growth of office development was at its height.

The declining population system. The movement has such development would prosuch developme

London and the loss of is at the heart of the argu- 14. If its new of London and the loss of is at the heart of the ergu- 14. If its new terms of jobs, mainly in the manuments on inner area decay, reference are to be much facturing industries, over the Akhough much of the debate more than pious hopes, the

London showed that the small gain of jobs in the inner ring compared with the outer ring was in part because of the tack of office space—about me third of somewhat harrow role would be evidence of the back of office the task of promoting the space—about one third of better distribution of office that aveilable in Greater employment in England and London as a whole. The difference clearly reflects the Two specific new functions wiews of developers on the purpose of developers on the common added to the bursey's present added to the bursey's prese greater attractions to employers of a location in outer

> moves to regions containing the largest conurbations has favoured the conurbations decentralized locations.

LOB sees its priorities first the as

Better shopping needed

City's development plan that the most important short-

ages are mainly in modern tial to the City's efficiency", small units under 1,000 sq ft says the background study and over 100,000 sq ft" paper on economic activity Even so, the City planners have certain reservations tect and planning Pointing out that buildings already under con-trict plan also adopts a pro-struction or schemes with tective attitude. "The City planning permission will council's office strategy is create enough floorspace to one of restraint, which sec lanning permission will make further office expanout to control the growth of
sion questionable, they also offices and to ensure that
fear that large new builddevelopment is directed to
ings will erode further the those locations where it will
number of small office units be most suitable and advan-

become necessary to adopt a more protective attitude to paper on economic activit prepared by the city archi-tect and planning officer, Mr

Westminster's draft dis number of small office units that are essential to firms associated with the City's areas were listed in the traditional activities.

"If it becomes apparent that the loss of artivities such as accountancy, estate agency, legal and other services, for example, are reducing the external economies of the City's main be most suitable and advantageous", it says. These frequency, it says. These tageous ", it s

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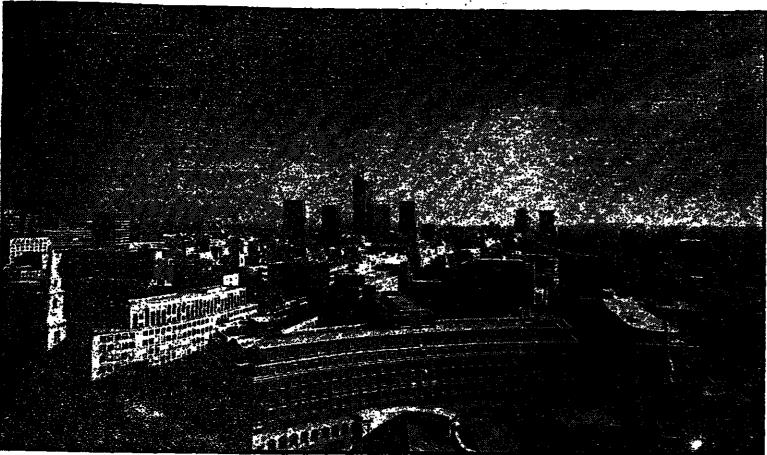
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Growing pressure to amend land Act

by Michael Hanson

In spite of repeated saury spokesmen that the Community Land Act in project spokesmen that the Community Land Act in the constraint of the owner's business last work spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner's spokesmen that the Community Land Act will be constraint of the owner should be prevented without becoming liable to prove the spokesmen who identifies by making of their complaints about the cumpoaled, some dissenting noises are beginning to be power. Where the property of the owner should be proved that the complaints about the cumment holds up an entire centre of a small may be complaints about the further of a small may be complaints about the further of the owner should be proved that the complaints about the further of the owner should be proved that the complaints and the property of the owner should be proved that the complaints about the further owner should be proved that the complaints and the complaints about the further owner should be proved the complaints and the complaints are complainted to the complaints and the complaints and the complaints are complainted to the complaints and the complaints and the complaints are complainted to the complaints and the complaints and the complaints are complainted to the complaints and the complaints

the property world, develop development gains by com-ment land rax. The Conser-panies, but it suggests that varives apparently intend to gains made by individuals retain it, although in a sub-should be taxed at the norstantially modified form mal graduated rates of in-According to Mr Rossi, a come tax, but subject to a fine balance has to be struck limit that it should not be between giving landowners higher than the rate application incentive to bring sites able to companies. the incentive to bring sites forward for development and taxing excessive profits in believing that development land tax has been remarkled upon the grant of ment land tax has been remarkled for the severe planning permission.
The Conservatives have planning permission.

The Conservatives have sponsible for the severe remained vague about the Shoriage of housing land. That is also the view of the level of tax they would pre-

level of tax they would prefer to see in place of the present rate, which is 80 per-cent for any company that realizes development value of more than £160,000 in a year, although anything less is being taxed at 66; per cent until 1979. The indications are that the Conservatives favour a tax of between cause of their fears of the
50 and 60 per cent, and Community Land Act and
most probably would settle development land tax. on the 52 per cent figure
that is now used for corporalopment land tax has been

As for the Government, it still has the power in reserve to increase development land tax to 100 per cent by the time the Community Land Act reaches what is known as the second the Inland Revenue is not a reached to the second the As for the Government, it what is known as the second the Inland Revenue is not appointed day, which is prepared to agree to the when all local authorities amount of tax before development begins, which is to acquire all land needed another reason why land for development at its exists. for development at its exist-

ing-use value.

The reasoning behind this political dogma is that all increases in the value of property are the result of public action, such as by public action, such as by granting planning permission or carrying out improve-ment to roads or services.

Better shopping needed

Faced with unemployment If the Greater London figures in some boroughs Council and the local borthat are as bad as the worst oughs do not get together in Britain, there is no doubt soon to improve conditions that London could do with for shoppers in the centres more industrial development, of Kingston, Richmond and not ody in dockland but Puttey, they will become as also in other inner London unpleasant as Oxford Street, boroughs such as Hammer and trade may begin to fade. smith, Wandsworth and 1s. Comfortable shopping con-lington. But there is also a ditions are not everything, need, surprising as it may however, for there is also a seem, for more offices and desire for lower prices. Here shops of the right kind in London's unwillingness to the right places.

provement, for the partial markets and superstores in pedestrianization of the appropriate places. busiest shopping street in Although a number of Britain can hardly be con-large discount stores have sidered an environmental opened in the suburbs over success, but why should so the past few years, London many people need to go still lacks a true hyper-National House Building Council and the House Builders Federation. However, it is not only housing land that is being affected but also land for commercial and industrial development, mainly are barely tolerable? because many owners have been frightened to bring it

the Inland Revenue's insis-tence that the liability to tax

West End.

As a survey by the West End letting agents, Donaldson and Sons, has shown:
"Shoppers have shifted their spending from central London to Brent Cross rather than from the strate-office suburban centres in Space surveys show that

suitable for development is being withheld. As a result of pressure from the Royal Institution of centre like Brent Cross of Chartered Surveyors and is a combination of such the Government included an ability of parking, quality arrives for some amendment to the tax in this year's Finance Act to allow institutions such as pension funds and insurance companies to finance develor. In the such shopping centres

introduce enclosed shopping Anyone who struggles up centres and pedestrian Oxford Street to do the streets is matched only by Christmas shopping may its reluctance to allow appreciate the need for im-

there at all, to be herded market or superstore of the together in conditions that kind that many places north of Warford now possess.

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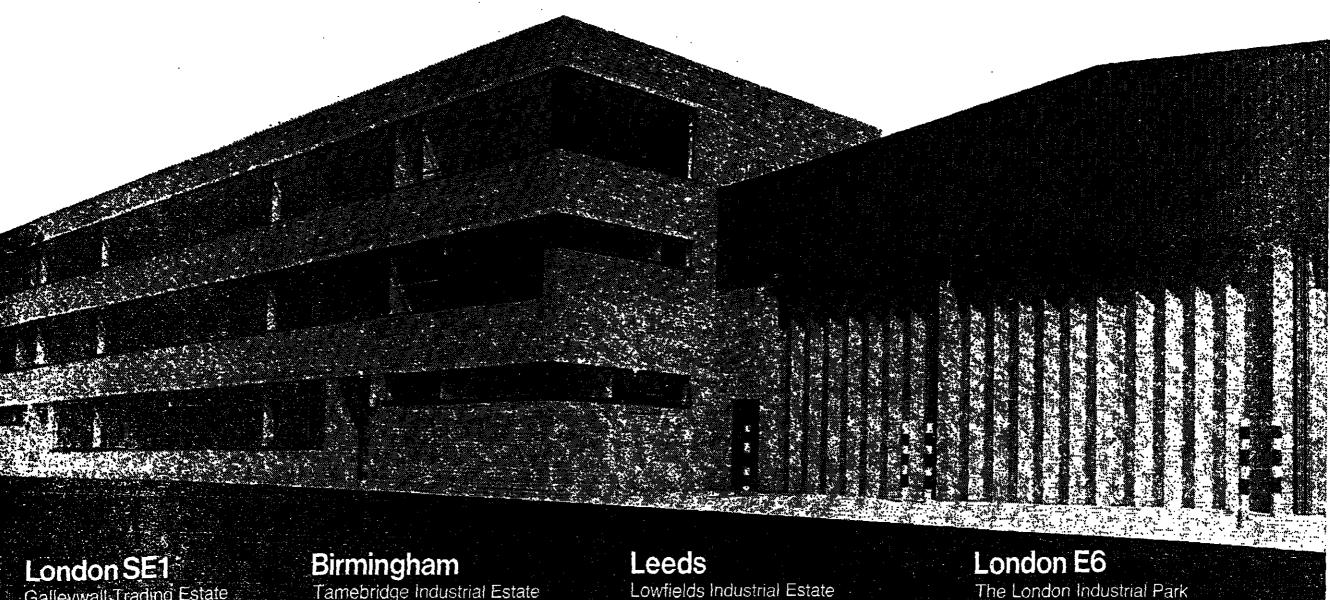
It is little wonder that the new shopping developed at Testo, has made it clear Breat Cross, north London, that it would welcome the py the Hammerson Group has proved to be such a roaring success, exceeding don, even on derelict land. The expectations of even the most optimistic traders, for creation of large stores many of its customers are those who have been spared impact on the social rethe need to roil up to the generation of such areas, nor only in employment, it as a survey by the West foointed out in a recent sub-

gic suburban centres in space surveys show that north west London", there are still millions of square feet unlet? turn in the economy, it has

Jones Lang Wootton, coint out: "The severe lack of new buildings in London of that it does not need them over 50,000 sq ft will force over that it does not need them over 50,000 sq ft will force expanding firms to look for away from the capital. flourishing centres, such as space away from the capital. Kingston, Croydon and Rich-The shortage of space in mond although there may be central London will cause just as much need to rents to rise, thus creating improve conditions for shoppers in these areas as there London and provincial rentered to the conditions of the conditions o As Healey and Baker, the ing firms to move for purely

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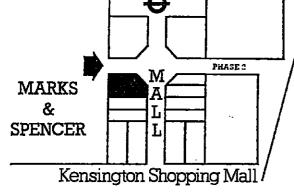
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Hindsight experts climb on bandwagon of new town critics

by John Young

There are few things more distanced than the sight of politicians, planners, economists and sociologists josting or climb aboard a bandwagen. It has been obvious for at least a quarter of a least of the combined effects of wartime hombidge, insensitive for its dynamism and personal control of elderly, poorly churcated, unfailled on the body famed into the new and expanding trants.

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debate on the merits and disadvantages of out-of-town shopping is far from re-solved; firm evidence as to

ring to prevent competition

corporations winch that had had filled their purpose. At present these comprise Crewley, Hatfield, Hemel Hempstead and Welwyn Garden City and, in the near future, could have been expected to

that the Government through the commission or some the extent that government other medium, intends to hold on to the profitable commercial assets, while disposade of the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended to the intended of the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended on the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended on the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended on the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended on the unprofitable ment land tax on would-be intended on the lan Yet, as Mr Ian MacLaurin, posses, the managing director of housing to local authorities cites the decision of the rust magazine, Built Environment, nothing has been ing them to meet whatever out of a project in Washing might decide upon. From the ton.

Councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that there has been a great impact of the councils' point of view, that the councils' point of view that the councils is the councils of view that the councils is the council

concluded that hypermarkets should be handled carefully. It is true that in a draft

government targets.

The future of the Commission for the New Towns is also in doubt. This body was established to take over the assets of development corporations which bad future mingham, has assiduously wood institutional investment in a huge regional shopping centre on the promise of some 250,000 local inhabitants by the end of the century. Telford is a test case of urban renewal and inhabitants by the end of the century. Telford is a test case of urban renewal and that it is only city centres that need revival should visit

Mr James O'Neill.

Despite the lack of evidence and despite the conditions of its own limited survey, the Department of Westminster and Westminst provement in morale as a result of the Government's "more realistic and pragnew rown advocates more hard and businesslike than the fate of Basildon is fashion, rather than as a that of the second and third political scapegoat as we generation towns, particu-were twelve months ago."

to garden compost threat to smaller shops. But a report of that kind is un-satisfactory. If you want to know the single thing that can contrabetter than any other to the decline and fall of the gracious city, it is the So declared Sir Desmond National Economic Develop-ment Office drew attention the Law Society, in a Hamlyn lecture two years ago, adding that of all the trendy bings rearing their ugly leads today the hypermarket was the ugliest. How Sir Desmond was able to make so categorical an assertion is not clear. The

Everything from ski boots

its probable long-term effects is necessarily sparse and, if anything, is in its Disaster or solution? This hypermarket has been built favour.

Moreover, there is confu-

Nevertheless, they have service grocery stores. The distinction between genuine retail outlets and wholesale cash-and-carry stores has been blurned, perhaps cash-and-carry stores has been blurred, perhaps wasteful use of land, particularly of green field sites on there is the totally different concept of the regional shopping centre, of which Brent tested. There may be some prime example. tion, although firms such as Tesco have repeatedly said they are more than willing to develop blighted urban what Sir Desmond was presumably referring to was the single multi-purpose to develop blighted urban store, of at least 50,000 sq ft, selking everything from ski boots to garden compost, and from hi-fi equipment to instant coffee. These are

selling everything from ski London docklands, and have boots to garden compost, and from hi-fi equipment to instant coffee. These are generally referred to as Socially, hypermarkets are hypermarkets or superstores, although the terms are not always strictly applied.

There is little doubt that, the use of a car and thus deny access to cheap the constraint to the point where there are to the country, compared with more than 400 in West Germany. Yet recorded in stances of established shop there is some reason to supposed because they keepers claiming that their business has been harmed thus deny access to cheap are negligible.

sion about terminology. The word supermarket, which Sir direct from manufacturers by the inability of small and between retailers or between methods of retailing, nor t Desmond used interchange and at the same time pass on medium-sized shops, and ably with hypermarket, is part of the resulting savings even multiple and depart-nowadays indiscriminately to consumers, applied in quite small selfmemors or retaining, nor in preserve existing commercial interests." It is also true that it has since raised the exemption limit for applicament stores, to match the lure of cut price convenience tions which must be referred for ministrial decision from 50.000 sq ft to 100,000 sq ft. But applicants have com-plained that long delays in

only a few miles away. Shopping, as we know it today, will disappear and be replaced by a Huxleyan weekly pilgrimage to a centralized cornucopia. But there is little evidence to support such an apoca-lyptic view. Since Carrefour opened the first British

There is little doubt that, shopping for those who need from the customer's point of it most. Economically, there view, hypermarkets are a are fears of over-developing for those who need from the customer's point of it most. Economically, there view, hypermarkets are a are fears of over-developing for those who need from the customer's point of it most. Economically, there is that nobody really knows. Despite the proliferation of hypermarkets in West Germany, in account for less than 10 per it is claimed that they still account for less than 10 per it is claimed th to inner city revival and

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Business ratepayers lick their wounds

by Christopher

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By contrast, non-domestic rates as a proportion of gross rading profits have increased from 9.5 per cent in 1950 to 38.4 p merce and industry.

There are, nevertheless, fewer calls for the abolition have been taken. In evidence to the Layfield committee, the Layfield committee

domestic property, the rental value is to continue for an every a ration authorities are suit.

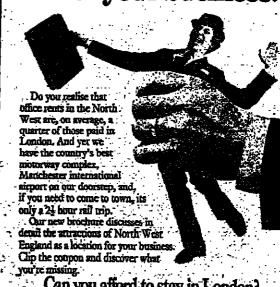
The point about the relative rate burden appears to have been taken. In evidence to the Layfield committee, the Labour Party, which had always favoured the children.

in England and 36p in changed this year, so the In 1960 householders contributed half to council rate receipts, but that proportion has decreased steadily to 41 per cent in 1970 and 38 per cent in 1970 and 38 per cent in 1975.

As a proportion of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion was reduced slightly.

In some cases an owner cannot let or sell empty property because there is either only a limited market or none at all. It would be a hard local authority. Industry and commerce have been rate in such circumstances. The penal rating surcharge slice of locally raised duced in 1974 to catch combined out that was incurred ducing Libbour control, and gave an assurance or none at all. It would be a hard local authority. Industry and commerce have in such circumstances. The penal rating surcharge slice of locally raised duced in 1974 to catch combined out that was incurred ducing Libbour control, and gave an assurance or none at all. It would be a hard local authority. Industry and commerce have local authority. The penal rating surcharge slice of locally raised duced in 1974 to catch combined a large control of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion of personal disposable income, the right to pay the remained their recommendation of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkably steady for domestic rate proportion of personal disposable income, rates have remained remarkable proposable income, rates have rem

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Partnerships can revive the inner city

by Michael Hanson

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Land Act came imp force, local authorities. The it was also the way many of nering property development is northing new others were developed, and to some local authorities. The it was also the way many of nering property developers of London, the office briddings in the office briddings in the control of London, that have made economic and environmental sense.

What is needed now is a partnership that will employ the skills and funds of private states of local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states of the local authority for the skills and funds of private states and private development of the additional and Holborn. The new road wyth until the end of the adding another three stores, and holders was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905, but it was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905, but it was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905, but it was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905, but it was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905, but it was some sell many of its freehold restaurant and parking for 1905

amount of property in need which the great private Clare Market and Drury the prospect of being un an extension to the Victorian of redevelopment, much of estates of the Duke of West. Lane to create a new traffic able to increase its ground town hall. It derelict.

Yet a positive attitude to ford, Lord Portman and and Holborn. The new road wyth until the end of the adding another three stores,

ware executive in ways that the secretary of State for the desirable urban areas. Faced through the insanitary slows as Chesterfield and Carlisle, authorities got increasingly are most likely to bring Environment's advisory with the need to redevelop in the centre of the city was Such criticism is nothing greedy about the additional about the renewal of the perty development two years of equally unthe result of the vision of new. In 1963, Sir Keith "gains" they wanted the worn-out areas of our towns ago.

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British Rail sheds surplus land

by John Young

A few years ago a Sunday newspaper asked British by railway preservation nearing completion. The societies, which have suc fact that the flat roof of the owned. Officials scratched it cossfully capitalized on pub station remains unadopted, their heads and replied that authorities which have con and leafy square in troof of they did not really know, that they had never been recreativel expensions and other melancholy comment on that they had never been recreativel expensions. that they had never been asked before, but that they would try to find out.

lation was made, based on the number of miles of been left with relics such as track, stations, marshalling been left with relics such as steep embankments cuttings, tunnels and viaducts, for tunnels and viaducts, for which it retains a statutory, and frequently expensive, and reduce the provided acres, the figure was probably about 250,000 acres. The railways were subset the board has been saddled with a number of sites the board has been saddled with a number of sites such bodies as the Forestry Commission, the National Coal Board and the Crown Commissioners, as among the half dozen largest landowners in Britain.

Looking out from a train window it is easy enough to conclude that much of that

window it is easy enough to as road/rail interchange the reconclude that much of that as road/rail interchange the related is ill-used or wasted serminals if and when freight Street. Environmental and social expand.

The require groups regularly expand. Environmental and social pressure groups regularly cite such alleged misuse as a prime case for government or local authority interven-

managing director of British Railways Property Board, not surprisingly disagrees. In the past 15 years, he points out, some 70,000 acres of surplus land have been sold for a total of about 5200m.

purpose and also for roads and that the immense poten-and other public works; as tial of redeveloping stations

branch lines which, by their Permission has since been nature, are the most diffigranted for offices on the cult to dispose of. In the area between the station and past they have been acquired Euston Road, which are now

recreational amenities; and planners lack of vision.
by farmers who have been It should, of course, have could try to find out. able to incorporate them in been obvious from the start Eventually a broad calcu. adjoining holdings. that the redevelopment of

Mr Dashwood complains, the first ti with some justification, that commercial it is the unused land that but the boar attracts attention. On the positive side, he estimated

lation was made, based on The drawback is that, in central urban stations made

net, notably

The 1968 The 1968 Transport Act equired British Rail, for the first time, to ect as a but the board soil remained restricted in its ability to raise finance. "There-way raise finance. "There-was, and still is, a feeling", Mr

above main line terminals, occasions that we would like will amount to some £20m. To have full commercial freeabout £200m.

Those sales have comprised surplus branch lines and their accountements; Rail was probably slow to housing and land designated foresee the property boom of head, we understand the by local authorities for that the 1960s and early 1970s, by local authorities for roads and that the immense poten.



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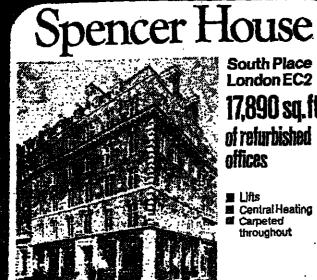
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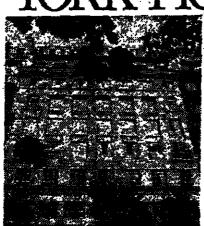
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BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 9: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, Chancellor of the University, drove to Wolfson College, Cambridge, this morning and were received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Cambridge (Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon P. E. Brassey), the Mayor of Cambridge (Councillor Maurice Carner) and the President of Wolf-son College (Mr J. S. Morrison).

The Queen declared the College open, unveiled a commemorative panel and, with The Duke of Edinburgh, toured the building. Her Majesty, with His Royal

Highness, honoured the President with her presence at luncheon and later left for Buckingham Palace.

The Countess of Airlie, Lieuten-ant-Colonel the Righ Hon Sir Martin Charteris and Lieutenant Robert Guy, RN, were in attend-The Duke of Edinburgh, Chan-

cellor, this afternoon visited the University of Cambridge. After witnessing a Rugby match at Grange Road. His Royal Highness visited Selwyn College and Trinity College Lodge, where The Duke of Edinburgh was received by the Master (the Lord Butler of Saffron Walden).

This evening. His Royal High-ness visited Jesus College and, bav-ing been received by the Master and Vice-Chancellor (Sir Alan Cot-Lieutenant-Commander Anthony Blackburn, RN, was in attendance. The Queen was represented by the Bishop of Sheffield (Clerk of the Closet) at the Memorial Ser-yice for the Right Reverend and

Forthcoming marriages Mr W. Neill-Hall and Miss J. M. Brandon

The engagement is announced between William, elder son of the late Major W. E. Neill-Hall, and of Mrs Neill-Hall, of 21 Sydney Street, SW2, and Juliet, daughter of the Hon Sir Henry and Lady Brandon, of 18 Regent's Park Terrace, NW1.

Mr J. Bourassa and Miss V. M. Warne

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs P. Bourassa, of Toronto, Canada, and Veronica Mary, daughter of Mr Jim Warne and the late Mrs Warne, of West Dean, Sussex. Mr M. E. Mitchell and Miss C. M. Davies

The engagement is announced between Malcolm Edward, elder son of Mr and Mrs V. S. Mitchell, of 4 Queens Court. Ellesmere Road, Weybridge, Surrey, and Caroline Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T. E. Davies, of Crown Cottage, Englefield Green, Surrey.

Mr E. A. Verdon-Rowe and Miss G. M. Owens

The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Eric, elder son of Mr G.

The marriage took place on Satur-Verdon-Rowe and of Mrs G. E.

Verdon-Rowe, of Quintu do Falacho, Silves, Algarve, Portugal, and cldest son of Lord Fisher, and of Mrs Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Denis Haynes, and Lady Karen Mrs A. Channing Owens, of 83

Cromwell Road, SWT, and Reigate.

of Her Majesty's Chapels Royal, which was held in St Paul's Cathedrai today.

CLARENCE HOUSE November 9: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this evening opened the new Assembly Rooms in Derby and subsequently attended a Con-cert given by the Royal Phil-harmonic Orchestra.

Her Majesty travelled to Derby

in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight. Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston and Sir Martin Gilliat were in

KENSINGTON PALACE November 9: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester as Patron visited Crosby Hall, Cheyne Walk,

this evening. Miss Dorothy Meynell was in atlendance.
The Duke of Gloucester was present at a Reception to mark the Fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the Asthma Research Council at St James's

search Council at St James's Palace this evening. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.
Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester was represented by Major General J. Scott Elliot at the funeral of Major General E. G. Miles which was held at Condover,

Shropshire, today. YORK HOUSE

November 9: The Duke of Kent today lunched with the National Research Development Corpora-tion at Kingsgate House, London, Licutemont-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance THATCHED HOUSE LODGE November 9: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy, attended by the Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard, returned to Royal Air Force Benson this evening in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Paris.

A memorial service for the Earl of Antrim will be held at 3 pm today at St James's, Piccadilly. The Right Rev Sir Frank Woods, The Right Rev Sir Frank Woods, former Archbishop of Melbourne, will conduct a service in the Chapel of the Order of the British Empire, St Paul's Cathedral, at 11.30 am on December 7, in honour and in support of the enthronement of the Right Rev R. W. Dann as Archbishop of Melbourne.

Dr R. D. Saunders and Miss D. C. Williams

The engagement is announced between Robin, eldest son of Dr and Mrs K. M. Saunders, of Kensden, Flaunden Lane, Felden, Hemel Hempstrad. Hertfordshire, and Denis elders described in the state of the st and Denise, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. B. R. Williams, of Kew Park, Bethel Town, Jamaica,

Mr J. A. Stott and Miss E. J. McGill The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs W. P. Stott, of Bowdon, Cheshire, and Jane, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs D. A. F. McGill, of Winchester, Hampshire.

Captain N. G. B. Reid and Miss A. Y. Horsford

The engagement is announced between Captain Nigel Reid, RAMC, son of the late Mr E. B. Reid and Mrs K. Reid, of Bishops Kein and Mrs K. Kein, of bishops Stortford, Hertfordshire, and Angela, younger daughter of Major and Mrs T. O'B. Horsford, of The Old Rectory, Long Newn-ton, Tetbury. Gloucestershire.

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Novelist honoured: Mr William Trevor, the novelist and playwright, has been appointed an honorary Commander of the Order of the British Empire in recognition of his valuable services to literature (our Arts Reporter writes). At a ceremony in London yesterday he was presented with the badge by Lord Donaldson of Kings-bridge, Minister of State, Department of Education and Science, with responsibility for the arts. Mr Paul Keating, the Ambassador of the Republic of

Mr Trevor was born in the republic in 1928 but has lived and worked in Britain for more than twenty years. Last year he was a runner-up for the Booker Prize and won the Whit bread prize for fiction, the Allied Irish Bank's prize for literature, and the Royal Society of Literature/W. H. Heineman

Today's engagements The Queen visits Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, 3.

Queen Elizaboth the Queen Mother opens St Christopher's Children's
Home, Railway Benevolent Institution, Derby, 10.50; as Chancellor of London University,
visits University College to mark
130th anniversary, 5.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, London Playing Fields Society, attends luncheon, Lord's Cricket Ground, 12.40. Princess Alexandra visits Gogar-burn Hospital, Edinburgh, 3 as Patron of People's Dispensary for Sick Animals visits animal treatment centre, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, 5.15.

Birthdays today Mr Richard Burton, 52; Miss R.

L. Cohen, 71; Dame Frances Coulshed, 73; Sir John Davis, 71; Air Vice-Marshal A. L. A. Perty-Keene, 79; Sir William Ryland, 64; Sir David Serpell, 66.

Memorial services

The Right Rev J. W. C. Wand

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The Queen was represented by
the Bishop of Sheffield at a
memorial service for the Right
Rev John Wand held in St Paul's
Cathedral yesterday. The Arch
bishop of Canterbury was represented by Prebendary D. W.
Cleverley Ford. Canon L. J.
Collins officiated, assisted by the
Archdeacon of London, the Ven
S. Woodhouse, Canon Douglas
Webster, Caton Evan Pilkington
and the Rev S. R. Cutt. The
Bishop of London gave an
address. The Bishop of Bath and
Welts, the Rev W. P. Baddeley,
representing the Archbishop of
Brisbane, and Canon J. N. D.
Kelly were robed and in the
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others present were:

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Sale Room Correspondent

Eskenazi, the London dealer, established a new auction record for a Tang horse in Paris yester-day when he bid 600,000 francs day when he bid 500,000 frames (estimate 300,000 to 400,000 frames) or £68,181. The handsome pottery horses were produced as funerary figures during the Tang dynasty in China (AD 618 to 906). The larger they are the better. Yesterday's horse stands 72cm high. It has a rich orange-krown body, cream mane and tail, and green-brown saddle and harness. The name was affered by Andan The piece was offered by Andap, the auctioneers, though the rest of the sale of oriental art was under the auspices of Countrier-Nicolay. All the early pottery sold well. Eskenari also bought two large. Han statuents of vourse. and a contemporary binding, made

large Han statuestes of young women, 49cm high, for 128,000 francs (estimate 80,000 to 100,000) or £14,545. A set of four T'ang female me A set of four Tang female musi-cians, seated on square bases and 18cm high, made 90,000 francs (estimate 80,000 francs) or £10,227. A 56cm unglazed Tang horse ferched 47,000 francs) or £5,341. A Sino-Tibetan gilt-brunze statue (169cm), which had been expected to fetch about £40,000, failed to raise a bid.

On Monday Boisgirard, the Paris

Luncheons British Conneil

Sir John Llewellyn, Director-General, British Council, was host at a luncheon given at 10 Spring Gardens, yesterday in honour of the Czechoslovak Academic Links Delegation.

Association of Women in Public Relations
The Association of Women in Pub-The Association of Women in Public Relations held a luncheon at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, yesterday. Mrs Iris Banham-Lee presided and Viscount. Norwich was guest of honour. Among those present were Lady Diana Cooper, Lady Casson, Mr Robin Duff, Mrs Marcus Morris and Miss Judith Chalmers.

Dinners

Anglo-Brazilian Society Anglo-Brazilian Society
The Anglo-Brazilian Society held a
dinner dance at the Savoy Hotel
yesterday evening when Sir George
Bolton was the guest of honour.
The Brazilian Ambassador, president of the society, and Senhora
Campos and the Earl of Dartmouth, chahman, received the
guests. Among others present
were:

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The Portuguese Charge d'Affeires and
Mirs Alves Machado, the Argentine
Charge d'Affaires and Mrs Gowland,
Viscount and Tiscountess Montgomery
of Alamen. Lord and Lady Chalfon,
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and Lady Rix. Dr and Mrs Marcoa
Famoyo, Mr and Mrs George Sall,
Admiral Sir Mrs And Mrs George Sall,
Admiral and Mrs Moore, Mr and Mrs
J. B. Ure and Mr and Mrs Eric Quick.

since the Meissonier tureens at £612,500, reported in later edition when a Durch mineteenth-century skating scene catalogued as by "J. Schelfhout" was soid for skating scene catalogued as by
"J. Schelfhout" was sold for
270,000 francs or £30,882. On
Tuesday jewelry that had belouged
to Yvonne Printennes, the actress,
much of it purchased for herdramatic roles, ran to prices well
beyond expectations; a necklace
of onyx inaglios framed in diamonds made 40,000 francs (estiyesterday, contributed more than half the total, about 32 per cent of the rest was unsold. An Augsburg soup tureen and cover of about 1730 was sold for \$0,000 Swiss france (estimate 80,000 to 120,000 francs) or £20,000. Christie's sale of Russian works or only inaginos frames in dia-monds made 40,000 francs (esti-mate 25,000 francs) or £4,545.

At Christie's yesterday a sale of felamic manuscripts and Indian miniatures made £129,910, with 8 per cent unsold. An illuminated manuscript of the Shahmaneh,

of art in Geneva yesterday made 5376,760, with 27 per cent unsold. A gold-mounted nephrite table soulf-box shaped as a piano by the workmaster Michael Perchin and dating from 1896 to 1908 brought 62,000 frames (estimate 35,000 to 45,000 frames) or £15,500. Humberts, King and Chasemore old the contents of Holford

and a contemporary binding, made £28,000 and a twelfth-century Koran section in early Naskh script brought £24,000 (estimate £8,000 to £10,000). That underlined the new interest in calligraphy, as did the single ninth-century Koran leaf in Kufic script at £10,000.

An afternoon sale of Persian and Rectory, Bridgwater, yesterday for £104,375. Every for found a buyer and a set of name George III managany smeldback elbow chairs in Hepplewhite style made £12,000 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000). A bracket clock by Joseph Windmills of London made £4,550 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000). An afternoon sale of Persian and An arternoon sale of Persian and Islamic works of art at Christie's made £55,155, with 7 per cent unsold. An unusual Persian lacquer mirror case dated 1760 and painted on one side in Venetian style with Queen Esther and on the other with a Nativity made £5,500 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000). In Genera on Tuesday (Initia's

A sale of nautical equipment, models and musical boxes at Sotheby's Beigravia yesterday made £63,547, with 3 per cent unsold. Two musical boxes reached £3,500. In Bond Street, Sotheby's sold Old Master paintings for a total of £44,315, with 16 per case unsold. In Geneva on Tuesday Christie's sale of important silver made

Fruiterers' Company The Master and Wardens dinner of the Fruiterers' Company was held at Innholders' Hall last night at which the Master, Mr J. J. Wells, MP, presided. The toest of the guests was proposed by the Master, and Admiral of the Fleet Skr Caspar John replied. Other speakers were Mr F. J. French, Mr G. Hope-Mason and Mr D. L. Holmen, clerk. At a meeting of the court held Dance ·

Ambassadoriai Ball

The Ambassadovial Ball in aid of the United Nations Association was iveld at Grosvenor House yesterday evening. The guests were received by Mrs Jeremy Thorpe, president of the ball, and Mrs Sydney Ripley, chairman. Among those

Ambassadors, High Commissioners and other members of the Dialomatic Corps, Margaret Duchess of Argvil, Earl and Countess Compton. Viscount Womouth, Ser Harold Wilson, MP. and Mr. A. Mousalem, Princess Helma Moutaffan, Mr. and Mr. A. Mousalem, Princess Helma Moutaffan, Mr. and Mr. Sric Movecambe, Mr. Einhirs Ernie Wilse, Mr. John Surtees and Miss Diaza Rigg.

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Awards and elections

Lord Pears, Lord Privy Seal and Lord Pears, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Lords, extended a dinner in hall given by the Treasurer, Mr Justice Nickl, and the Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple yester-day evening, being Grand Day of Michaelmas Term. Among the guests were: Awarus and electrons
Gibbs Prize in Politics: Jili K. Rutter,
scholar of Somerville College; proxime
accessit. J. Sibson, oxiditioner of
Worcester College, Book prizes
Stranne H. Franks, Lady Margaret
Rail, and J. E. Raife, scholar of
Balliol College. Balliol College.

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Sera Norion Essay Prize: B. J. Welch.
Exerce College, and A. Stophanson.
New College (foint).

Thoughave Williams Scholarship in
Physiology A. Reed, Keble College. ALL SOULS COLLEGE, Fellowships by special election: N. Purcell, Worcester College, and J. N. P. B. Bordan, Christ Church, COLLEGE: Open scholarship: Newton, exhibitioner of the

Royal Engineers Headquarters
Mess. yesterday evening. The
Chief Royal Engineer, General Sir
Charles Richardson, presided. The
Engineer-in-Chieft, Major-General
C. P. Campbell, was present. CAMBRIGATION COLLEGE. Fellowships in Class A from November 2, 1977. B. F. Bucton, MA. PhD (Bristol). of Trimity College. sandor assistant in research at the Cavendish Laboratory. College. The College of the Cavendish Laboratory. The Cavendish Laboratory of the Cavendish Laboratory. The Cavendish Laboratory of the Cavendish Laboratory. The Cavendish Laboratory of the Cavendish Laboratory of the Cavendish Laboratory.

Hooper, the Rev N. Small, the Rev L. R. Fulljames and the Rev J. Gibson.

Mrs Joseph Robinson.

Mrs J. Blickworth-Smith. Mr John
Stafford-Moule. Mr Derek Sutton
(Headmaster. St Paul's 'Cathedral
Choix School, also representing Salisbury Cathedral School Association).

Thomas 'Godety of the Faith. Dr
D. W. Brown (chaplain, also representing the fellows of 'Oriel College,
Orford). Mr Denis Jones (Headmaster,
Blabop Wand School, Smbury) with
the Few John Cotarove (chaplain) and
Rey Burley. Mrs W. P. Baddeley. the
Cathedral Mrs. Mr. P. Baddeley. The
Chaptar). The Rey W. Devemport
(Korsan Mission). Mr James Sicrems
(Faith Press). Mr Peter Paine (Master
of the Cothmakers' Company). Charcellor Garth Moore (Prasident, Sion
College). Mrs S. Flerz, (Principal,
Oct. Talmer (Greater Company). Mrs. Oct.
Council . Prebendary D. Mossman.
Prebendary S. J. S. Boebee, Prebendary G. T. Chappell. Prebendary A memorial service for Mrs Olive Sibella Prentice was held at St Michael's, Chester Square, yes-terday. The Rev E. G. H. Saunders officiated. Dame Anne Bryans read the lesson and Angela Counrean the lesson and Angela Countess of Limerick gave an address.
Among those present were:

Mr sud Mrs John Bonham-Carter, Mr nad Mrs Norman Bonham-Carter, Sir Desmond and Lady Bonham-Carter.

Mr Gerald Bonham-Carter, Dr and Mrs Richard Bonham Carter, Contributed Bonham Carter.

Richard Bonham Carter.

Lady Pulmer (vice-chairman, countil of the British Red Cross Society) with the British Red Cross Society with the British Red Cross Society of the Countil of the British Red Cross Society with British Red Cross Society with British Red Cross Society with Broness Hyllon-Boster (president) and Lady Illife (deputy prasident); Mr P. Kyre (director, City soctor of the London branch of the British Red Cross Society, also representing the Lady Mayorass of London; and Miss A. Hopkin (Florence Nightingsle Memorial Trust).

Isree! into independent statehood has been the work of many men who laboured through decade after decade, undismayed by reverses and sethacks, so bring it about. Among them Chaim Weizmann held a unique position . . . He towered above his colleagues both because he alone could give effective expression within the compass of his own personality to all the beliefs and emotions that together made up the complex.

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dent and international Jewry of its foremost statesman . . . He

At a meeting of the court held earlier Admiral Sir David Williams was elected to the freedom of the

ASCINGUIMS TERM. Autong the guests were:

The Duke of Northumberiand, Sally Duckes of Washinater the Marquess of Union the Marquess of Washinater the Marquess Farmanes Ryffort Post of Control of the Co

The Corps of Royal Engineers held a corps guest night at the Royal Engineers Headquarters

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is foremost statesman. He was penhaps more fortunate than he realized when his countrymen refused to entrust their president with the kind of executive powers that an American president wields, since this decision set him free to stand above the dust and clamour of panty politics and to use his world-wide influence to ease the tensions and difficulties that the new state of Israel inevitably

all the beliefs and emotions man together made up the complex fabric of the Zhonist movement and because he never faltered in his conviction that if only his counsels were carried into action, the resurgence of Israel into national starchood could be achieved within his own lifetime.

Mr Jack Barrow, of Northolt, left f13,058 net. He left all his property to the Greater Ealing Old People's Homes.

Mrs Margaret Noel Dawkins, of Whitton, left £63,018 net. After bequests of about £3,500 she left the residue equally between the Clergy Widows and Orphans Pension Fund and Bank Clerks Orphans Fund.

Other estates include (net, before tax pald; tax not disclosed):

Coy, Kathleen Rosemary, of Kenton, Suffolk £270,888 Domcaster, Miss Phyllis, of Scarborough £193,626
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Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Lieutenam-General Sir David
Willison, aged 57, Colonel Cammandant of the Royal Engineers,
to be Chief Royal Engineer from
Monday, in succession to General
Sir Charles Richardson.

Science report Astronomy: Throbbing Sun

The strength of the Earth's magnetic field does not remain constant but can vary rhythmically, according to observations made at the Tihany Geophysical Observatory in Hungary. Those variations are believed to be the direct result of pulsations of the Sun.

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The Sun is known to vibrate in a variety of ways. In addition to quivering fairly rapidly at a number of different frequencies it pulsates slowly, rather like a gigantic heart, rising and falling every 2 hours and 40 minutes. This slow throbbing was first observed in early 1976 from measurements made on spectral lines in the Sun's atmosphere, but the fluctuations can be accommodated within models of the Sun's structure. The reason remains a mystery; the more rapid fluctuations can be accommodated within models of the Sun's structure. The shower 2hr 40min pulsation is still unexplained.

As the Sun throbs the effects

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As the Sun timestrained reach far our into space and might be expected to affect the Earth. In particular the magnetic field in interplanetary space will very, and the Hungarian observers have effectively used the enormous volume of the Earth's magnetic field as a detector to explore for such variations.

Most of the time the two magnetics. Most of the time the two mag-netic fields remain separate; the Earth's field is wrapped around us like a blanket and protects us from the streams of charged

particles blown out from the Sun. Occasionally the two fields might become linked, and in extreme cases severe magnetic storms would then be produced around the Earth, but the details of that linking are not well understood. By looking at those days when the magnetic activity is fairly high, the times when some magnetic activity seems to leak through the blanket physicists can see a clear indication of a variation in magnetic field, which comes and goes every 2 hours and 40 minutes. The effect is small, the changes are about ten thousand times smaller than the normal value of the farth's magnetic field, but clearly present.

That observation not only confirms the slow throfoliong of the Sun but also shows that the Earth's magnetic field does become linked to the interplanetary magnetic field.

So many relationships have now been established between varying conditions on the Sun and effects on Earth that some link between the Sun and the Earth seems likely. Perhaps the connecting of the magnetic fields is part of that link:

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OBITUARY

HANS ERICH NOSSACK Distinguished German novelist

Hans Erich Nossack, the "postwar" phase, Der Unter-lerman novelist, poet and gang, a series of autobiographi-dayweight, has died in Ham-arg at the age of 76. Though and the way of life they swept away. Published after the war German novelist, poet and playwright, has died in Ham-burg at the age of 76. Though his work was not well known in this country in his lifetime, bargely because little of it is Paul Saure who became a pro-available in English translation, selviist for Nossack in France. Nossack was highly regarded in Germany and also in France as (in spite of his age) one of Germany's major postwar enrisons. The postwar character of his work was largely due to the destruction of all his outpur up to that date, in the bombing of Hamburg in 1943. And like his younger contempories, Grees and Boll, mough in a rather different way, he was an unspacing critic of the Wirtschaftswunder society, the society of the postwar economic

Nossack was born in Ham-burg in 1901, the sou of a coffee importer. Nossack's political sympathies as a young man were of the left and he did not join this father's firm but, after study at Jena which he had to give up because of his political activities, did a number of manual and clerking jobs.

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He bad already begun to write, including plays, when Hirler came to power in 1933 and his work was banned and himself forbidden to publish further. At this point be accepted the inevitable and joined his father's firm. Nossak was a milerar to the destruction of ms tamer's firm. Massack was a wimess to the destruction of Hamburg by bombing in the summer of 1943 and this experience affected him deeply. He felt he was watching the destruction of his own past and decided not to look back to his work which had gone up in flames in those rards. His sub-

MISS MARY HANCOCK

vice in Africa came to an end.

Born in Surrey in 1910, daughter of a clergyman, Mary Hancock was a school-teacher in Kent when the Second World War broke out. In 1941 she volunteered for teaching in Tanganyika, and found herself immediately headmistress of a high school for girls at Tabera, some 500 miles up country. She continued to teach in East Africa with outstanding success vice in Africa came to an end. Africa with outstanding success for many years, both at Tabora in the central region and at Tukuyu and Mbeya in the remote south-west. It was et Tab-ora that she met and befriended a vivid young teacher called Julius Nyerere, whose political party TANU she was later to

In the meantime the advancement of African education and the promotion of the status of women in African society, which she believed to be essential to political independence, became her special care. And woe betide anybody who got in the way. Her dedication to these causes and her zest, abso-hate sincerity, humanity and untiring energy appealed to both the colonial administration and the new government of inde-pendent Tanzania which suc-

She became a Tanzanian citi-zen, and a senior inspector of the Ministry of Education. In 1970 she was elected to Parliament as representative of the women's organization, and was reelected in 1975. She was an assiduous member of the Parliamentary accounts committee as well as of the women's move-ment, of the board of the Wood Industry Corporation, of innumerable educational commissions and institutions, and of the

cycle racing as a profession but after a sensous crash switched m the theatre. After training in Manufeim he began his long

At the Thelia Theatre, Hamburg, from 1945 to 1949 and from 1949 at the West Berlin state theatres, he gave a succession of memorable performances of great emotional power and intellectual impact, that ranged from dashing young hero to stately character actor. Even in his earliest career, the

A correspondent writes:

Mr Maurice Nachshen died
on November 3 at the age of
78. Until the last he was able

of Practice Committees. Although a shy man he was well known in Victoria Street,

follow him.

This wife, Nettie, predecessed him and he leaves a son and two daughters.

written in the demotic language of a girl of the streets. Nossack's poems were col-lected in 1947, Gedichte, and several volumes of his short stories appeared. Unmögliche Beweisaufnahme was tronslated into English as The Impossible Proof in 1969, Der Fall d'Artlez as The D'Artlez Case in 1971, form of re-creation of self.

In November of 1943 he began his first work of this (1960).

these came to the notice of Jean

For a period after that his work

was labelled existentialist-though he himself disclaimed

any understanding of the philo-cophy. Subsequent work was also styled surrealist and nibelist. Nekyia (1947) which

had also been praised by Sartre

and cranslated into French in

the same year, was a fictional reworking of Der Untergang, a report" by a survivor of the holocaust. Spirale (1956) and Der Fall d'Arthez (1968) both

dealt with the theme of self

judgment and the quest for the true self, the latter in complex.

but persuasive terms.
But Spätesens im November

(1955) had been the farst of

Nossack's books to gain him wide recognition in his own

country, with its more accessible

as well as politically and socially sensitive aim, that of

an actack on postwar German affluence, a theme repeated in

Der jungere Bruder (1958). Das kennt mann (1964), a picture of

experience seen through the eyes of a dying prostitute in the Reeperbahn district of Ham-burg was another major effort,

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Mary Hancock, a member of the Tanzanian Parliament, died in Tanzania on October 27 at the age of 67, and an extraordinary career of public service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in Africa came to an end of the service in the service liar long lean figure, resolutely flogging her small car, which she shared with two or three gigantic Great Danes, along the hot roads through the bush, "Mama Hancock" was beloved and revered all over the coun-

For her own part she was devoted to the people of Tanzania and their ways, and in particular to President Nyerere. Yet she never pretended that she was not a very English English woman. Nor did she hesitate to criticize corruption of idleness or injustice where she found them, and her judg-ment was piercing and with-out prejudice. Indeed, because her love of Africa and her total loyalty to the country which she had chosen as her own were never in question, she was licen-ced to say what she liktd; and in virtue of her long experience and her manifest good will to-wards their country the Tan-zanians listened with respect to the forthright good sense which

she dispensed in her fluent clipped Swahhi.

She would allow no nonsense or humbug; but there was a twinkle in her eye. For her sense of humour never failed; nor her generosity to her friends. These qualities found

a notably warm response in Tanzania. Not many single individuals, in the result, can have done more good in our time.

A surprising number of the leaders of Tanzania today had been Mama Hancock's pupils at school, or her junior colleagues. The President, Ministers and senior personalities of state and senior personalities of state and church were amongst humbreds. semor personalines of state and church were amongst hundreds of them at the Requiem mass which was celebrated in her name by the Cardinal Archbishop at the Cathedral in Dar-es-Salaam on October 28.

PETER MOSBACHER

Peter Mosbacher, the popular German actor, has died in Berlin aged 63. Mosbacher was born in Mann-heim on February 17, 1915. On maniculating he took up motor and distinguished acting career in Darmstadt, moving from there to Düsseldorf and to the Deutsche Theater during the

MR MAURICE **NACHSHEN**

ato participate, albeit to a limited extent in the profession which he loved all his life, that of civil engineering. Born in London and gradu-Born in London and gradu-sting from Imperial College, he spent his early career as assist-ant to Sir Cyril Kirkpatrick. Apart from serving in the Royal Engineers in the First World War and as a Deputy Director of Factories during the last war, he remained in consulting engineering for the rest of his career. In 1946 he set up his own practice which now continues as Nachshen Crofts & Leggatt. He served for many years on the Council of the Association of Consulting Engineers and on a number of Codes

then the centre of consulting engineering, professionally, for his experise in soil mechanics, personally, for his quiet humour-and, most importantly, for his firm integrity in professional matters. In the last respect he set standards which will remain as an inspiration to those who.

late Herbert Jherinj, the fore-most German critic of his day, wrote of him as "Not so much the fiery youn; lover as the interesting young character actor, with something of the man of the people about him".

Among the roles created by Mosbacher, as popular in films, on radio, and on television, as on the stage, was that of Marat in the world premiere of Peter Weiss's world famous The Marat/Sade which the late Konrad Swinarski staged at the Schiller Theatre in Berlin in 1966. His most recent appearance was as Count Almaviva in Beaumarchais's The Marriage of Figaro at the Cuvillies Theatre

Figaro at the Cuvillies Theatre in Munich last season.

He was equally at home in the classics, in serious modern drama and in light comedy roles.

MAJOR-GENERAL E. G. MILES

Major-General Eric Grant Miles, CB, DSO, MC, died on November 3, at the age of 86. During the First World War he served in the King's Own Scottish Borderers and gained his DSO and MC besides being mentioned in despatches five times. Between the war he had a number of command, with a number of commands and attended the Staff College:

He served in Belgium in 1940, where he was mentioned in despatches, and in North Africa where he was wounded in 1943. He was GOC Kent and South Eastern Districts from 1943-46 when he retired. He was Colonel of the KOSB from 1944 to 1954. He was made CB in

He married, in 1924, Lady Marcia Valda, youngest daugh-ter of the 7th Earl of Roden. They had one daughter.

The Hon Mrs Cardiff died on Nov 6 at the age of 69. She was the only daughter of the lifth Baron Newbornugh and she married in 1932 Dr 6. V. suc married in 1936 Dr. Jackson F.R.A.S. Be died in 1936 and she married secondly in 1942 Lieutenant Colonel Derek Cardiff, The marriage was dissolved in 1963.

Mr Roger Trelawny Back-house has died at the age of 72. He was High Sheriff of co Durham in 1962.

Gold price

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Other pages

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MR CARTER'S OIL PLATFORM

"I remember in this room last beginning to learn what this threat... May", said President Carter at means. a recent press conference. "someone asked me if my Administration was all style and no substance. Lately the criticisms have been that there is too much substance and nor enough style." Poor Mr Carrer. Once the knives start being drawn on an American President there is no fairness. He is suffering from a reaction which frequently sets in when the enthusiastic initiatives of a new Administration come up against the realities of American politics. He has generated a lot of new legislation and it has been too much for Congress. Some of it is now being postponed, and the volatile opinion polls have been recording a less favourable verdict on his performance.

The verdict is only partly justified and need not be taken anywhere near seriously enough to justify the doom-laden prophecies in which some American commentators have indulged. President Carter has had a lot to learn in office. He and his young men from Georgia have handled relations with Congress badly, and he may have made matters worse by deciding to appeal over the head of Congress to public opinion. If he had won his election by a landslide vote this might have worked because Congressmen would need his support more than he needs theirs, but the reverse is true. He ran behind most congressional members of his own party and they have yet to be per-suaded that he has overtaken them. He needs their support. He cannot rely on automatic party loyalty or on the old coalitions on which his party used to rest. American politics has become more fluid and Congress has become more assettive. He can win support only by persuasion and he is only now

He got most of his energy Bill through the House of Representatives helped by the loyalty of Mr Tip O'Neill, the Speaker, whom he had earlier treated very casually, and who fortunately happens to come from an oilconsuming state, Massachusetts. Amazingly enough he thought he could get the Bill through the Senate without taking any special notice of Senator Russell Long, the powerful chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, who comes from Louisiana, an oil-producing state more interested in increasing production than cutting consumption.
The President also thought he could out gun the oil lobbies by denouncing their allegedly excessive profits with figures which could easily be challenged. The result was disaster in the

His address to the nation on Tuesday showed him in a more careful mood but rightly as determined as ever to persuade people of the urgency of the energy Bill. It is indeed of the highest national and international importance. The world simply connect affect the simply cannot afford the stresses that will come if the United States goes on importing oil at present rates. Since 1973 almost all the developed countries have cut their oil imports but the United States has increased its by more than 40 per cent. Ten years ago the United States imported two and a half million barrels a day, or about 20 per cent of what it used. Now per cent of what it used. Now it imports nearly nine million barrels a day at much higher prices, with a consequent drain on its balance of payments. Meanwhile domestic production is decreasing. This trend cannot go on. President Carter quoted his Defence Secretary, who said recently, that the present deficiency of assured energy sources is the single surest sources is the single surest

to our security and that of our allies ".

The trouble is that any serious cut in American oil consumption comes up not only against the powerful oil companies but also against the entire American way of life, which is based on cheap and abundant energy for large cars, huge heating and cooling systems for buildings, and a generous use of energy in industry. Moreover, at this stage the problem is simply not visible to most Americans, so that the President's attempt to rally them to the "moral equivalent of war" finds little response. In any case they are themselves their own main enemy, which does not help either. He must therefore rely at least as much on informed political support as on less informed public support. In fact there could hardly be a more difficult issue on which to rally the people against the poli-

But there is also another factor which the President scarcely mentioned in his original presentation of the energy plan on April 20, and which even now is only creeping rather shyly into his speeches, and that is the interest which the rest of the world must have in this issue, At first he talked almost entirely of maintaining the American standard of living. Now be mentions national security. But America's oil imports are already having a distorting influence on the market, and an international competition for oil in the next decade would have even more damaging effects, which could well include war. To appeal almost solely to the material self-interest of the American people is probably to under-estimate them and is anyway uncharacteristic of Mr Carter. The stakes are higher and President Carter should make this clear. So should foreign governments.

STILL THE FISHERMEN'S FRIEND

The news that Britain's fisher- sion unsympathetic. Its efforts men have been excluded from to negotiate what are seen as yet another fishing ground because of the rapacious behaviour of one of Britain's partners in the European Community comes, regrettably, as no sur-prise. For the fishing industry, entry into the EEC has been attended by almost entirely adverse consequences. The latest blow is that Norway has stopped British trawlermen from fishing for cod off its northern coast, not because they had exceeded their own quota, but because the French had taken more than the catch they were entitled to, and in doing so reached the total quota laid down for the Community. The amounts involved are relatively small but the incident serves as yet another example of what the British fishing authorities consider to be unfair behaviour by the fishing fleets of the other members of the Community (apart from Ireland), backed by their governments. That mistrust and disappointment is shared by the British Government, which has found its fellow members srubborn and the European Commis-

to negotiate what are seen as reasonable and equitable terms for all have been met with obduracy and lack of understanding by all except the Irish.

Mr John Silkin has now been reported as being pleased with

an agreement reached earlier this week which, he claims, establishes the principle that coastal states have the sole right to control fish conservation off their shores. It is doubtful whether he is justified in expressing such optimism. Only 500 tonnes were at stake, and the decision to allow fishermen from Normandy and Picardy to have exclusive fishing rights for herring within four miles of their home ports scarcely binds the Community to allowing Britain its much more substantial claims. Past experience suggests that the Commission nor Britain's seven continental partners will see the decision in the same light as Mr Silkin.

Nevertheless he was right to point to it as a factor to be taken into account in future negotia-tions. The British Government had been arguing for an exclu-

sive 12-mile fishing belt, and for a preferential zone of between 12 and 50 miles from Britain's coasts. Its demands are justifiable, both on the grounds of effective conservation, to ensure that fish stocks are not depleted to the extent of becoming extinct, and for the economic survival of Britain's beleaguered fishing industry. Recent action by some of the other Community fleets has shown how justified Britain's attitude is, at least on the conservation aspect.

Mr Silkin has argued Britain's case intelligently and forcefully. He has shown no signs of weakening resolve, and seems determined that the Community's fishing policy will not be the subject of British capitulation. British public opinion is behind him. He is not being a "bad European" by continuing to press the British case strongly. On the contrary, if he were not to do so, and the existing proposals of the European Commission were to be adopted, it is possible that in a decade or so the entire BEC pool would be all but fished out. That would be to Ao country's benefit.

NO AMMUNITION FOR REPUBLICANS

Jubilee year must have been a disheartening time for British republicans, but Mr William Hamilton, as alert and severe an auditor as ever, did manage on Tuesday to make the Queen look as if she had got away with a pay award distinctly in excess of Phase Two principles. Her estimated Civil List expenditure for this calendar year, the Chancel-lor announced, will be 18 per cent greater than last year's. By extracting this information through a parliamentary question, Mr Hamilton made it appear that he had uncovered secret, though the estimate for all Civil List payments and related annuities and pensions for this financial year was made public last spring, and there has been no increase in the global sum, which is subject to the same cash limits as other government spending.

The Civil List is not a wage at all, of course; nor is it exactly an expense account. It is meaningless as a guide either to the real cost of the monarchy or to the income of the royal family. It covers some living and professional costs-newspapers but not stationery, garden parties but not state visits,

but not others. Wages and salaries account for three

Parliament at the outset of his reign, which he could spend without further parliamentary oversight. These arrangements foundered in the inflation of the cases. early seventies. Several times the allocation out of her own pocket Since 1975 the Civil List has been included in the annual public expenditure estimates and subject like the rest to annual scrutiny by Parliament. Its precise amount, confidentially worked out by the Royal Trustees (the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Her Majesty's Treasurer) is based on the movement of prices and civil service pay rates, as well as changes in the level of royal activity.

The Queen's extra Jubilee comfor the increases in this year's allocation, and after the exhausting programme that she has submitted herself to there will be few who will grudge the extra expense. The royal Jubilee

repairs to some household goods celebrations have been modest by past standards. It is impossible to set an objective standard for quarters of it.

Traditionally, each monarch to modern royalty, but there would be no fun in a skimped would be no fun in a skimped. the scale of display appropriate monarchy, and there is no sign at all of widespread public demand for one. Audience reaction is the only sure guide in such

But audience reaction depends Queen eked out her Civil List. to some extent on the way the allocation out of her own accounts are presented. The new Civil List arrangements give no public information about how much of the year's money is to be spent on what. Coupled with the still greater obscurity that surrounds the Queen's untaxed private finances, this factor remains at least a potential source of public misgiving. Much information has been made available from time to time, and it suggests that the Royal household is admirably thrifty. But regular information is absent. Neither personal privacy nor the mitments no doubt amply account mystery that Bagehot insisted should surround the throne require, in the case of the Civil ist, abandonment of the general principle that the taxpayer should be able to see where his money goes.

offer much insight about the ways in which individuals acted in respect of the Letter and what they believed about it. But as for the

document itself; no further evidence to my knowledge has appeared. Yours sincerely, the University of London. Faculty of Laws, University College London, 4-8 Endsleigh Gardens, WC1.

Doing without police From Mr Clive Davies fordshire is right to advocate self-policing in rural areas. (Your November 4 issue.) But isn't the need for community-based "do-it-yourself policing" even greater in citles ? Yours sincerely.

Department of Sociology, University of Liverpool.

Sir. A clash of heads-seventeen in -claim (letter, November 7) that parents are not enthusiastic about parent-governor elections, citing ballots of five per cent in London, and this leads them to question "one of the premises of the Taylor Report". Years ago, teachers used to assume that when parents failed to attend some school function, this meant that they were apathetic. Since then many teachers, thinking rather more positively than the defeatist seventeen, have re-jigged the question as: what is wrong with our mode of approach and invitation that we have failed to enlist the of the answers relate to adjusting such approaches to the ordinary life-style of the citizenty, and, as a consequence, there have been enormous strides in home-school

Electing parent

From Dr Eric Midwinter

governors

Diluckily, many of these lessons have been forgotten with the advent of parent-governor elections, although one should note the many schools which, by integrating parentgovernor elections within a vital and lively general scheme of parental rapport, have had voting in very high numbers in working class as well as middle class areas. There is sufficient literature and evidence of suod practice in this field to draw upon, and perhaps it is time for disheartened—or disheartening—heads to do what literally might be cailed their homework.

ERIC MIDWINTER, Head of Public Affairs Unit, National Consumer Council, and Chairman, Advisory Centre for Education, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, SW1.

From Mr William J. M. Shelton, MP

for Lambeth, Strentham (Conserva-tive) Sir, I was interested to read the letter, signed by a number of dis-tinguished London headmasters, expressing their concern about the low attendance, well below 5 per cent, of parents at elections for parent governors, and drawing a depressing conclusion from this.
Only last week I was discussing this situation with the headwaster of a South London school (not one of the signatories of the letter). He told me that 160 parents attended the election meeting which he organized. His school roll is about

organized. His school roll is about 1,000, so, given a number of oneparent families and only one parent from a families and only one parent from a family attending, this is
probably above the 10 per cent
mark. The election was contested,
with a number of candidates for
the three places.

I happen to know how hard he
and his staff have worked to make
their PTA a success. For instance,
over 800 parents, pupils and
reachers went on a one-day train
outing to the Isle of Wight
recently, and I am sure the comparatively good attendance at the
election meeting is a direct result
of enthusiasm, dedication and hard
work. My conclusion is th

at, as with so many new ventures, the involvement of parents with schools at every level can be made to be successful provided that the will is there. would indeed be sorry to see the concept of parent governors criticized so early in the day, before parents have been educated properly in their new role.

Yours faithfully, WILLIAM SHELTON, House of Commons.

Coeducation at Cambridge From the Praelector of Jesus College, Cambridge

Sir, No male devotee of St Rade-gund in this College will share Mr Tyndali's apprehension (November 2) that history might repest itself in the sense he outlines. The saint, aggrieved by the long exclusion of women, can be relied upon to guard the new female intake pains takingly. In any case the chief reason for closing down the numery reason for closing down the numery
was not that lex discipline could
not have been tightened, but that
the nums had become few while
the buildings had remained ample.
It would have been uneconomical
to maintain the latter without putting them to new, collegiste use for which there was a growing

demand in Cambridge. But history does tend to move in cycles. Before its foundation in 1496 this College had been an exclusive haven of womanhood for at least 360 years. There followed the implacable ban on women which is now about to miss its quincentenary by only a few years. How long will the mixture last? It is the men and, with discipline far from lax, imposed a ban on them.

That will be the appropriate time. rather than now as Mr Tyndali advocates, for the College to revert to its original name as it enters us second cycle of sexual metamorphosis, only to replace it again, of course, with its present name in about the middle of the twentyninch century. Yours sincerely,

ILYA GERSHEVITCH. Jesus College, Cambridge.

Insuring art for exhibition

From Mr Denis Mahon, FBA Sir, I should like to add a postscript to Professor Dodwell's plea (November 8) that important temporary exhibitions in leading regional museums, the security arrangements of which have been officially ap-proved, should be relieved of insurance costs by means of government indemnities, as is already the prac-tice with national museums.

The matter of long term loans of works of art is also relevant and should not be overlooked. If such a loan is made from 2 private source to a national museum, as has recently occurred in my own case. a certificate of indemnity is made available. But why should regional public museums of appropriate standing be excluded from this invaluable facility? Yours faithfully; DENIS MAHON, 33 Cadegan Square, SWL

From Mr J. Davies

Sir, It was with deep concern that I—a serving fireman—read the editorial, in the November 8 edition of The Times, entitled "Now the firemen". Comments made in that editorial have moved myself to defend the action forced upon myself and my colleagues throughout the nation.

A little over two years ago, because of the introduction of Phase One of the Government/TUC pay policies, the Interim Report of a National Joint Council Working Party, which sought to evaluate the wider involvement of firemen in

fire prevention, was pigeon-holed. What the Fire Brigades Union's Executive Council has done is to equate that "generality of jobs" comparison referred to in the recent McCarthy report, with average earnings of all adult males, then standing at 178.08 per week, and added 10 per cent to take account of the agreed range of skills, responsibilities of modern firemen

responsibilities of modern thremen and the hazards they face.

Applying this formula to the present level of qualified firemen's gross weekly pay of £65.70 would mean an increase of approximately £20 per week.

At present, to qualify for the qualified fireman's rate of pay, a fireman must have served four years and successfully completed a years and successfully completed a prescribed training module for each of those years. The modules, in addition to providing him with a comprehensive technical knowledge, ensure that he acquires certain skills and practical qualifications, including pump operation, heavy goods vehicle driving, special appliance operation (turotable ladders, etc), breathing

Justifying a strike by firemen apparatus wearing, first aid and fire prevention. He is required to undergo tests to demonstrate his proficiency in these skills. Sir, Can Mr Willis

All very clear cut. After four years, if he qualifies in all the above, a firemen is entitled to £65,70 before stoppages.

But to earn this sum a fireman must be prepared to work a 48-hour week, many hours of which are

unsocial hours.

Only a tireman can be fully aware of the conditions under which he is called to work when working at his most effective the public are unlikely to see him because of the very nature of the dangers involved.
In your leading article it is stated that the Fire Service has no "acute recruitment problems". Can you explain then why my own station is 25 per cent below estab-

station is 25 per cent below establishment, and why appliances are not always fully manned?

The Government has introduced much legislation over recent years dealing with fire prevention. The Fire Service has to supply men to ensure that Acts of Parliament such as the Fire Precautions Act are implemented to the full.

The Fire Service has been cut

The Fire Service has been cut to the bone over the last two years due to cutbacks in public spending workload but an increase.

Is it any wonder that the nation's firemen have finally had to say, "enough is enough". Conscience and public responsibility have been used as tools to suppress reasonable nay claims you often before pay claims too often before.

DAVIES, J. DAVIES, 5 Morewood Close, Sevenoaks,

Enjoying the cuts From Mr J. W. Saunders

Sir. I should like to protest must strongly against the correspondents who once again, during industrial strife, fill your columns with gloomy grumbles, people it seems to me who long for black-and-white confrontations, moral and ethical righteousness, and all kinds of most

unBritish things.

We knew it would be a long hard winter, but a number of notable victories for British ommonsense bave already been won. I don't want to triviolize the hardships inflicted by industrial action, but have you ever visited the elderly and infirm in the blackout? The by candlelight, mischierously delighted that they are contributing their mite to taking on the power workers.

A lot of people are positively

enjoying the cuts.
It's a bit like wartime, comradeship rapidly spreading, and has its excitements, battling through against the odds. There is a Chinese curse which reads "May it be your fate to live in interesting times." Nobody can deny this is already a most interesting winter, with more in store. It is going to be fascinating watching the Govern-

ment deal with crisis after crisis.

One of your correspondents criticized the British for taking things so calmly and passively. But THAT, Sir, is our greatest British virtue. We survive, because we don't flap and we are slow to anger. We know in our tight hittle island that conflict, of one kind or another, is inevitable and eternal and won't ever go away. We are the world's best compromisers, traders, bar-gainers, and our British skills are going to be fully exercised in the coming months.

We shall win, of course, we

always do. As for the future of our democracy, and the fear a few have that we shall be driven into authoritarianism, of the Right or Left, honestly, Sir, can that even begin to happen, when our British strengths (as manifest in Arthur Scargill as in Enuch Powell) are what they are?

I suspect the hysteria is short sighted. Fortunately, Mr Callughan has an abundant supply of a great British virtue. Oddly, we don't have a name for it. We can't call it deviousness (which indicates a vice). We can't call it flexibility (because that's too like indiarubber). What do we call it? But an acceptance that in any conflict an acceptance that in any conflict situation neither side is black or white. We are all healthily brought up in British marriage and family up in Brush marriage and tamily situations, where of course no one member can claim sacrosanctitude. We simply transfer our family experience to politics, nothing Those who long for morally

righteous black and white situations would have been behind Sir Anthony Eden or Mr Heath, not our most successful Prime Ministers. It is a little disturbing to me to see how Mrs Thatcher appeals to these, and if I were her adviser, I'd want the image changed as quickly as possible. We are best off in the hands of traders, Stanley Baldwin, Clem Attlee, Winston Churchill (what a mischievous surplus of this British quality he had), Harold Wilson, and their kind. I look forward to a most exciting, unethical, compro-mising, wheeler dealing and totally British winter. Yours sincerely

I W. SAUNDERS. 17 Benton Road. Middlesbrough Cleveland. November 8.

Criminal legal aid

From the Vice-Chairman of the Bar Sir, Mr Marcel Berlins' article on November I referred to the Lord Chief Justice's proposals in his evi-dence to the Royal Commission for the shortening of criminal trials, and described Lord Widgery as having "floated a suggestion for a pre-determined flat fee to counsel acting in a legal aid case, rather than a daily rate.".

The inevitable need for compression in reporting a lengthy sequence of evidence unfortunately led to an emphasis on counsel's position which the evidence of the judges read as a whole does not reflect. In fact the Lord Chief Justice was directing attention to the general need for financial control and economy in the conduct of such cases to which counsel's fees are only one of a number of items of expense. This is shown for instance the control of t by an important answer (not quoted in the article) that the budget which he proposed "is only a question of limiting the expense which the solicitor can undertake, and I would not think it should have any effect at all on counsel getting a proper reward for what he does ".

It must I think, be a matter for further consideration whether Lord Widgery's suggestion would on balance ultimately serve the ends of justice. There must be a serious risk that it would in some cases operate unfairly for the client quite apart from his legal advisers.

The article quoted the Lord Chief Justice's reference to the annual outgoings on legal aid in criminal cases being £20m to £30m. Of this the total amount paid to the Bar is estimated to be not more than a quarter and is mostly earned in

cases of modest duration to which the Lord Chief Justice's comments were not directly related. The remuneration of the legal profession as a whole in criminal legal aid cases is based on regulations originally issued in 1960 and on fee scales agreed in 1972 and not increased since despite massive in-

Mr Berlins also referred to the Lord Chief Justice's comments that prosecution in criminal tended to charge too many defendants on too many charges, and that as a result "you have defence counsel sitting around for days doing nothing because their own client's interest is so small that they can be actively employed for only a very small percentage of the time.". As to the former point, the judge's evidence clearly suggested that the responsibility rests primarily with the prosecuting authorities. As to the latter point, the Bar Council in sion in June, 1977, submitted that the present rulings requiring the stendance of counsel throughout a case save in exceptional circumstance, should be reconsidered. The evidence said: "If their attendance is not needed then, in principle, they should not be there. Consideratim is being given to the question whether it is necessary for all the (often many) counsel or solicitors or their representatives, engaged in multi-defendant criminal cases, to be present in court throughout the trial." Such a reform would require the support and approval of the judges as well as of the Bar. Yours faithfully,

DAVID HIRST, The Bar Council, Gray's Inn, WCL November 1

Composers' rights

From Mr Clement Freud, MP for Isle of Ely (Liberal)

Sir, Mr Alan Frank, chairman of the Performing Right Society, apparently agrees (November 2) with the view expressed by me and nine Parliamentary colleagues (October 29) that the Companies Act disclosure provisions are inadequate.

I question, however, his assertion that there is no justification for our criticism of the PRS Council in withholding the voting list from the members. Whilst the PRS has every legal right to utilize the Courts to determine whether or not it can continue to do so, I find the reasons stated for such action to be specious

and unacceptable. Mr Frank states the appeal against the High Court order to hand over the voting list was taken "on the issue of safeguarding confidentiality in respect of members' professional earnings' or members professional earnings whilst ignoring the high price of such confidentiality: the effective disenfranchisement of the voting members who, without the list, cannot communicate with each other to oppose the Council.

No company board can be per-mitted to perpetuate itself in office in this way and, as my colleagues and I have stated, if the law so permits, then the law must be changed. Yours faithfully,

CLEMENT FREUD,

Accounting for the

From Ludy Ballantrae Sir, Can Mr Willie Hamilton point to any other single government ex-penditure of £2m which gives as instant a return as does the invest-ment in the monarchy?

I would guess that more than £2m has been collected by VAT alone on objects sold this year bearing the Queen's portrait. People have been kept in employment (and paid their taxes) to produce, handle and sell these goods and to meet the de-minds of tourists and visitors. Sales and services have been spread

throughout the country.

No government—even by taking 5p off income tax—has discovered how to touch the people who make a nation with the magic that came across so strongly on Jubilee Day. HM The Queen gives more than any cosh columns will ever show. I am your obedient servant,

Auchairne. Ballantrae, Ayrshire. November 9.

LAURA BALLANTRAE,

Mapping buried history From the President of the

Prehistoric Society and others Sir, On behalf of the societies we represent we should like to express our very deep concern and disquiet over the proposed redeployment by the Ordnance Survey of its special-ized archaeological staff and re-sources (your article of October 24), which amounts virtually to the abrogation of all responsibility for the quality of the archaeological in-formation which will in future appear on its maps. Not only is this action being taken unilaterally. without consulting informed archaeological opinion, but it is being pressed through in advance of the study of the Ordnance Survey's activities as a whole which is in process of being initiated by the Secretary of State for Environment.

We appreciate that in present circumstances the Ordnance Survey has to make economies, and are well aware that there has been weil aware that there has been some overlapping in certain parts of the country with other organizations engaged in recording antiquities. But surely the right course now would be to thrash these matters out publicly in the forthcoming study? This precipitate action on the part of the Ordnance Survey would seem to imply that they hope would seem to imply that they hope to eliminate the whole question before the inquiry starts. If there is any such intention we motest most strongly against it. The Ordnance Survey's coverage of archaeology is both traditional and highly respected internationally. Anything which affects it adversely is therefore a matter which must be debated fully and freely in any general consideration of its future role. tion of its future role.

Yours sincerely, Yours sincerely,
J. D. EVANS, President,
Prehistoric Society,
A. L. F. RIVET, President,
Society for the Promotion of
Roman Studies,
DONALD HARDEN, President,
Society for Medicari Anglancia. Society for Medieval Archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Square, WC1.

Sanctions on S Africa From Professor A. R. C. de

Cresvienv Sir, Mr Hatch (November 3) has misunderstood my letter (November 1) in spite of its rather painstaking clarity. I did not argue that external pressure is responsible for the South African Government's repression". What I did say was that "the effect of foreign pressure has been to strengthen the position of the National Party". And of course it is true that if whites have a right to protect or promote their vital interests, so do blacks as well.

The only problem is that in current and foreseeable circumstances many of the (actual and perceived) critical interests of white and black (ie, Africans) are and will

remain irreconcilable within a common political system.

Discussion of South Africa's complex problems tends to degenerate into uplift in which it so often seems as if the conspicuous ment of the heart is thought to compensate for the muddles of the head. What is missing is the tragic dimension which results from irreconcilable critical interests. Not surprisingly, white South Africans are not nastier or nicer than other people; they simply live in a society where it is exceedingly difficult to practise the continuous activity of inter-group accommodation which we call politics". Incidentally, I am not a white

South African. Yours faithfully, A. R. C. de CRESPIGNY.

Professor of Political Science, University of Cape Town, as from 8 Phillimore Gardens, W8, November 4.

Wykehamist reading From the Reverend A. W. Beer.

Sir, At the end of the Winchester summer term of 1816 Jane Austen wrote from Chawton to her nephew James, on the 9th July: "We saw a countless number of Postchaises full of boys pass by yesterday morning—full of future Heroes, Legislators, Fools and Villains".

Judging by the results of the literary census held recently at Winchester (your report, November the school is now composed entirely of the last two categories. Yours faithfully, A. W. BEER.

The Presbytery, 25 Between Streets. Cobham, Surrey. November 8.

From Mr Piers Jessop Sir, Charles Dickens's name appears four times in the list of boring books compiled by the boys of Win-chester School. Is this fact not the most savage indictment imaginable of the way in which these boys have een taught? Yours faithfully, PIERS JESSOP,

40 Holland Road, W14. November 9.

Sir, The recent contributions of Dr Andrews (October 28) and Miss Crowe (October 20) and others in columns and elsewhere to unravelling the truth about the Zinoviev Letter have been most useful. But the fact remains that the Harvard Text of the Letter is still the only extant version in the Russian language so far known. The English copy released by the Foreign Office seems to have been a translation of that Russian text contained in the Harvard documents. The Russian text reproduced in a 1927 Soviet publication is a translation back into Russian of the Foreign Office English language

The Zinoviev Letter

From Professor W. E. Butler

Miss Crowe had not seen my 1970 article on the Harvard Text when

she published her own in 1975. Certain inconsistencies found in the English text released by the Foreign Office (and in the Harvard Text) also have been found to exist in other Soviet publications of this period, to be sure, but so also do they appear in other letters of the period similar to the Zinoviev Letter which are known to be forgeries and which preceded the Zinoviev Letter. And my own conclusions and arguments in respect of the Harvard Text did not rest solely upon these inaccuracies, as Crowe and others may have inferred from newspaper accounts at the

The Foreign Office files which have become open during the past five years under the 50-year rule

Professor of Comparative Law in

Sir, The Chief Constable of Bedcrime-ridden towns and CLIVE DAVIES,

From John Earle

Rome, Nov 9 Montefibre, the textile and fibres company and one of the heaviest loss makers in the ailing Montedison group, has gained a temporary respite with a government offer to take over payments for 6,000 workers the company has been seeking for weeks to make

A meeting of ministers yesterday under Signor Giulio Andre-otti. the Prime Minister, decided for the first time to apply provisions of the recently passed law on industrial reconversion, making possible a new form of payments out of the Cassa Integrazione or govern-ment relief fund.

Workers will be paid to do nothing till the authorities find alternative employment for

They will still nominally remain with Montefibre, though the company will bear no further financial charges for

Under previous Cassa Integrazione arrangements, the Cassa paid about 80 per cent of wages, while the employe wa: still responsible for certain residual payments.

Montefibre's management expects to discuss implementation of the Government's offer at a meeting in the Budget Ministry in the near future. Meanwhile it will be able to close certain plants, notably in Piedmont and in the south of Italy, where the 6,000 are employed.

Montefibre, one of the hardest-hit companies in the world textiles and fibres crisis, has a workforce of about 28,000, of whom about 26,000 are in Italy. The remainder are employed in smaller plants in France, Spain and Malta.

The company, which met strong trade union opposition to its plan for 6,000 redundancies, has been steadily losing throughout the year, though it is believed that this year's loss may be slightly below the 1976 level of 99,900m lire

A few weeks ago rumours cir-culated that Montefibre might be put into liquidation. There was immediate opposition to the Government's offer from the trade unions. A spokesman for the Chemical Workers' Federation said their attitude was one of "straight refusal" of a measure which merely put workers into a parking area and created a danger-ous precedent for other com-

panies to follow. The Government's move was " he exact opposite" of the rawel of the threat of dismissals and, the spokesman said, opened the door to "tens of thousands of dismissals".

UK dilemma over Hongkong textiles

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, Nov 9 Britain has been placed in an extraordinary position by the hreakdown of talks between the EEC and Hongkong aimed at securing an agreement limiting the Crown Colony's export of textiles to the Community.

British sources spoke of a delicate situation" and said diplomatic efforts were being made to "cool the atmosphere"

Technically, Britain is ultimately responsible for Hongrong's government policy, but as a member of the EEC Britain has plaved a dominant role in forging the tough negotiating stand adopted by the Com-munity in its negotiations with the colony and more than 30 other taxtile producers.

Mullard 'not

Hitachi deal

Mullard, Britain's sole re-

maining colour television tube

manufacturer, is not yet ready to accept an Hitachi offer to buy 25,000 of its tubes a year

This was made clear last night by Mr Jack Akerman, Mullard's managing director, who said that a "significant programme" of technical work

still remained to be completed on assessing the marrying of Mullard tubes with the chassis of Hitachi sets. Mullard is at

the centre of a controversy over

the centre of a controversy over the Japanese company's pro-posed factory in the North-east. Hitachi representatives told a meeting of Labour MPs from the North-east earlier this week that technical studies had been

that technical studies had been completed by Hitachi and a formal offer to buy Mullard tubes had been made.

Mr Akerman said last night:

"For our part we must be absolutely satisfied that our marrhandise is sping to be

merchandise is going to be used in a technical environ-

ment where it will perform well

and live well.
"If all the technical points

are answered and we are satis-fied, then it would be accept-

He emphasized that with Mullard's 2.5million tubes-a-

year capacity under-used at

sent customers.

Mullard, which at present

produces only the more com-nact 110 degree tubes in

produces only the more com-pact 110 degree tubes in Britain, is tooling up for a restricted production run of 90 degree 20-inch tubes, Mr Aker-

Production would start in

July and would peak at about 500,000 tubes a year.

man disclosed.

ready' for

By Derek Harris

from 1980.

the volume of textiles imported Hongkong also objected to the EEC's division of product categories which, it says, would disrupt existing trading pat-

"The truth is that the interests of ourselves and Britain are diametrically opposed", Houghong officials said.

Talks with Hongkong were suspended indefinitely last

night after the colony refused

the EEC offer of an import quota of 138,000 tonnes next

year—13,000 tonnes less then

"We are not prepared to rily to redistribute a large part of our trade to other suppliers", Mr Lawrence Mills, the colony's chief negotiator, told The Times. He said that Hongkong was

ports to last year's level but would not reduce them beyond that. "This is the crunch point of the negotiations", he added.
London has been at the

receiving end of serious pro-tests from Hongkong against what are regarded as bullying tactics by the EEC negotiators. One source described the protests as containing "some of the strongest language ever seen " in a diplomatic telegram. Hongkong is the biggest tex-

tile supplier, and negotiations with the colony thus to a large extent determine what the Community will be able to offer other smaller suppliers.

The European Commission,

which negotiates on behalf of the Nine, has given a warning that unless satisfactory agreepliers it will be unable to approve a renewal in December of the Geneva Multi Fibre Arrangement. The EEC would instead impose unilateral im-

agreement could still be reached but he felt the next step would be for him to report the facts to the Hongkong government. He added that so far the talks had been conducted as if Britain and its colony had no constitutional link, and he in-sisted that there had been no attempt by Britain to apply

Mr Mills said be hoped an

pressures. In a statement issued last night the Commission said its offer of an import ceiling of 138,000 connes remained

Government finances aided | Fisons to by big debt repayments

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year, on the other hand, because

The overall picture to emerge

very tight indeed

from the latest figures is that the fiscal stance of Government

Nationalized board members' pay study

A meeting of the executive committee of the Association of Members of State Industry Boards decided that it would keep in close liaison with the institution, which has already decided, on the basis of its legal-

Continued from page one

of the factors which might have blown the forecasters off course have tended to work in the opposite direction.

Growth has been slower and employment lower than expected, whilst retail sales are very sluggish. The only explana-tion available would seem to be that the equations used to predict how much tax revenue would flow in were just wrong.
The error on the spending side is less important. Consolidated Fund expenditure, which is about 90 per cent of the total, has only been 9 per cent above last year's level compared to a forecast of 10 per

cent in the Budget.
In evidence to the Commons Sciect Committee on Monday Treasury officials estimated that underspending accounts for £250m of the £2,000m revision downwards in total borrowing need whilst higher revenue accounts for £1,750m.

One major bonus for the Government's finances in the past seven months is that nationalized industries have been repaying debt very heavily which is a reflection of their

relative prosperity.

The two biggest repayers out of the £557m net which has able for Mullard and Hitachi to trade together in the event that flowed back have been the national oil account, which re-Hitachi's new factory were welcomed to this country by the Government." paid £340m as a result of the British National Oil Corpora-tion's large loan from overseas and the Gas Corporation which present, any new customer would be welcome, but the question had to be asked how many of the sales would be at the expen : of Mullard's pre-

Loans to local authority are during the first seven well above their level of last this financial year.

Nationalized industry board members are studying legal opinion prepared for the Institution of Professional Civil

Servants on action against the Government to force it to imple-

ment increases in top salaries, advice, to take action.

ammonia BUDGET DEFICIT

By Maurice Corina

mingham, Humberside.

An intriguing round of nego-

the Treasury now pursues a policy of phasing their borrowing carefully throughout the year. Local authorities borrowed 5214m in October as a new tranche of loan money became tive price.
Industry sources say ICI may wish to use emmonia for its own nitrogen fertilizer activities to reap better margins on a new cost structure than by sustain-Fisons at an uneconomic

be considering whether there is sufficiently close identity be-tween state board members and

top civil servants for the two groups to collaborate on legal

stock more

Industrial Editor Fisons, Britain's major fertilizer producer, has applied for planning permission to undertake substantial expansion of its ammonia stocks tanks at Im-

The move is bound to increase speculation that this is a prudent arrangement to lessen present dependence on Imperial Chemical Industries. ICP's present contract to supply half Fisoo's ammonia until the summer of 1981 has been rendered less valuable by the recent increase in prices ICI pay for North Sea gas.

tiations between Fisons and ICI appears inevitable in the coming months now that ICI has to face a substantial increase in natural gas costs from Jan-uary 1, 1978 to 1984. Cheap North Sea gas has enabled ICI to make ammonia at an attrac-

There is talk that Fisons, said to be paying £50 a ton, could face justifiable requests from ICI for up to £70 a ton from January 1.

From Professor M. J. French producing, not a ready-made designer, but simply a graduate who will develop into one more

Allow extra university year for

would have the teaching of en-gineering design done mostly in industry. But the young designer in industry learns only a few new points on each piece of work that comes his way so that his learning is his way so that his learning is slow and random in pattern.

The same applies to "realistic" project work in universi-ties—while a little is invaluable, it is a slow way of extending knowledge and understanding. It is rather as if surgeons were to learn only from real operations, without first systematically studying anatomy.

I believe the best way is the intensive and systematic study of design in a fourth year at the university, with a little Bailrigg, project work as essential lea Lancaster. vening, with the object of November 5.

quickly and more thoroughly in the finishing school of in-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

without such pensions becoming doubly raxed. Only in

recent years has the pension

. Secondly, in spire of the con-

cept of the company, no un-taxed or reduced tax reserves

can be built up easily as a

safeguard for employees in their future employment with

the company without the In-

land Revenue either insisting on distribution as a dividend

to shareholders (who are the workers), as highly-taxed "un-earned" income, or to put to

reserves, after corporation tax, which, if paid out at a later date as salaries, would result

in such a diminution of income

I am not a tax expert, and I

may be wrong in minor parts of these comments, but in gen-

eral a Labour Government has not only done nothing to help worker participation com-panies, or even to start to assist them, it has deliberately instigated a taxation policy

that casues great difficulties for such an enterprise to func-

tion fairly and without hard-ship or strain.

but electioneering based on

suggesting assistance is given when it has not been, and

where the past record is

close to deception as to be in-tolerable. Yours faithfully,

totally obstructive gets

I. E. C. GRANT,

Surrey. November 4.

Bookham Common,

Electioneering is one thing,

as to be ridiculous.

limit on taxation been increased

Government inhibits

worker participation

marginally.

From Mr I. E. C. Grant

mentioned.

Sir. Your summary of the

measures to be included by the

Government in the pext ses-sion of Parliament must, in

many cases, promote hollow

laughter from those directly involved with the subjects

About seven and a half years ago I was (and remain) a

parener in the instigation of a

small company dedicated to

worker participation and profit-sharing, and the Labour Government has been in power during this period, but has neither promoted any legislation to assist such companies, nor even thought in detail of the such to such the such to such the such to such the such that t

the problems related to such

companies. They may talk of such things, but very obviously

no attempt has ever been

made, or indeed probably will be made, to create conditions

under which such companies

under which such companies can flourish.

Firstly, in forming such a company the founders are, by its conception, prevented from selling their shareholding to merchant banks or others to realize capital profits attracting lower taxation (which would be the normal capitalist operation), and indeed in our company the shares must be sold at asset value to those

sold at asset value to those workers and directors remain-

ing in the company. No princi-pal may make a major capital

profit and retire to a country

This is a fine concept,

for many years the Labour Government would not allow

pensions to be created in such a company to justify principals

estate to prosper "sweated brows"

workers.

on of

participation

dustry.

The Germans and others of our economic rivals have long done this, except they take two extra years or more (as indeed does another design profession, the architects, in this country, largely because of project work). Given the chance, those universities in this country who have staff with switchlessing the staff with switchlessing the staff with switchlessing the staff with switchlessing the switchless who have staff with suitable experience—and there are some—might do nearly as well with only one extra year. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL J. FRENCH, University of Lancaster

study of engineering design

Department of Engineering,

The Alliance Trust Company, Limited. Meadow House 64 Reform Street Dundee, DD1 1TJ.

Keeping one's cool over coal From Dr O. Caiger-Smith

Currency

premium

surrender

'irrelevant'

Sir. In comment on the Chan-

cellor's recent measures the

currency premium surrender is

repeatedly coupled with exchange restriction (see in

particular your correspondents

David Blake and Caroline Arkinson quoting Treasury, and Bank of England official

views in this sense; The Times

November 2, 1977) as if it were a form of exchange con-trol and a restraint on the

It is neither. It is an arbitr-

ary tax on transactions wholly

within a closed pool of British

owned foreign assets and be-tween British residents, trans-

actions which can, by exchange

regulation, involve no net pur-chase of foreign currency.

training the movement of capital out of the country than

would a tax on U.K. transac-tions in the shares of inter-national companies quoted and

traded in sterling, indeed less since the latter may be

acquired from a foreign res-

And, as a tax on turnover, it does no more than inhibit com-

petent management of a sub-

stantial national pool of over-

It is important that those

who are opposed, whether on political or economic policy

grounds, to the export of capital should understand that

currency premium

DAVID F. McCURRACH,

render is no part of the ar-moury and is an irrelevance.

seas assets.

Yours faithfully.

It has no more effect in res-

From Mr D. F. McCurrach

Sir. The anthracite for my heating has gone up in price from £26 to £67 in the past four years. In the event of the Coal Board (strike or no) being unable to sell their authracite at less than, say, £100 a ton and of me being unable to pay more than, say, £80 what do we both do?

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THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



tribunals to hear claims of accounting incompetence

Accountants should set up tribunals including a lay member to investigate sileged cases of professional incompetence affecting the public interest. This is the main recommendation of an eight man committee chained by I ad Cross of Chel chaired by Lord Cross of Chelsea. It was set up 12 months ago by the English and Scomish institutes of Chartered Accoun-tants and the Association of Certified Accountants.

Its terms of reference were: To consider to what extent, if any, the investigatory and disciplinary organizations and powers of the three bodies may require to be changed to enable them to deal both effectively and justly with allegations of unsatisfactory profession work by any member."

Setting up of the Cross committee followed publication of Department of Trade inspectors' reports which had criticized accountants, coupled with growing public concern that the accountancy profession had inadequate powers to discipline its own members.

The Cross committee divided the cross committee divided the problems of professional incompetence into those which involved the public interest through the auditing of public quoted companies, for example; and those such as private client business, which did not. The

report decided there was no recommended that it should be need to extend the present disconclusive evidence for proceedings of the existing discip-

In cases of public interest, while the institutes had powers to act over a member who had committed misconduct Cross considered that this means "bad behaviour" such as dishonesty which only in extreme cases could include poor workmanship.

The institutes had no express provision in their constitutions to deal with cases of professional incompetence, which nevertheless could have resuited in great loss. He therefore proposed that there should be tribunals set up to examine such cases, which would normally arise from De-partment of Trade or similar

Constitutions of the accountancy bodies should be amended accordingly so that the tribunals would have jurisdiction over all accountants, not just auditors, and that the jurisdiction should extend over all accountants believe the state of th corporate bodies where the public interest might be affected, including unit trusts and building societies. If the tribunal were to find

the conduct of a member amounted to misconduct, and that finding was not reversed by any appeal procedure, Cross

linary committees.

But if the tribunal found that bad workmanship only had been established "it should censure the member in terms appropriate to the degree of the short-coming established".

"Government the Cross report

Rowsver, the Cross report sees a number of problems in setting up such tribunals including the difficulty of finding finance for the costly investigations which would be necessary to follow Department of Trade reports, and because at present the institutes do not have the power to call for winesses outside the profession. side the profession.

It might be that powers could be given if an investigation could be brought within the Arbitration Act but Lord Cross said at a press conference yesterday that he was far from certain that this could be done. in matters of incompetence In matters of incompetence or delay involving a private client the report suggests that where complaints about a particular practice have been frequently received, the partners should agree to an inspection by an "advisory service", which would also be applied on request, as a con-

available on request, as a con-dition of renewal of their practising certificates.

Cross committee calls for | Fed to tighten money policy further

Washington; Nov 9

The American Federal Reserve Board has decided to tighten its monetary policies still further. The decision reflects the Fed's continuing concern about the trend of United States inflation and about the recent weakening of the dollar in the foreign exchange markets.

Dr Arthur Burns, Fed chairman, said today that he expected the economic expansion to persist with possibly a 4.5 per cent real rate of economic growth in the coming year, but that in this period inflation was likely to rise again by 6 to 6.5 per cent. Firm monetary policies were,

therefore, necessary.

He told the Senate's Banking Committee that the weakening of the dollar was adding to the nation's inflation problems and it could also cause "serious international difficulties". He concluded: "We dare not, therefore, be complacent about the current depreciating tendencies of the dollar".

Dr Burns said the Fed had decided to

Dr Burns said the Fed had decided to leave its growth target range for M1 unchanged at 4 to 6.5 per cent for the year ahead, but it would lower both the ceiling and base limits of its ranges for M2 and M3 by one half of a percentage

Dr Burns stressed that "a crucial consideration in lowering the long-term ranges for the broader aggregates was the committee's (the Fed's open market committee) wish to reaffirm its intent of gradually bringing down the growth of the monetary aggregates to rates compatible with reasonable price stability."

Under questioning from Senator Adlai Stevenson of Illinois, Dr Burns stated: "I feel rough and the feel rough

feel some sort of incomes policy will have to be developed in this country." He said he did not want to elaborate on this at this time in view of the great number of uncertainties now facing businessmen and the prospect that discussion of incomes policies will only add to these uncer-

poncies will only and to these uncertainties.

However, after being pressed by the senator, Dr Burns said the Federal Government should give a lead by setting lower wage rises for its personnel. There was no doubt in his mind that some of the cutrent problems facing the nation's steel industry were due to the "oversized" wage increases that had been seen in the industry.

in the industry.

In answers to other questions from senators he criticized repeatedly the Congress for failing to take actions to strengthen the prospects for increased

point to 6.5 to 9 per cent for M2 and to 8 to 10.5 per cent for M3.

Dr Burns stressed that "a crucial consideration in lowering the long-term ranges for the broader aggregates was the comthat Congress recently had been legislating

inflation.

Dr Burns called for permanent tax cuts and for plans by the Congress and the Administration that also involved real cuts in public expenditure. He said that for the full 1978 fiscal year it now appeared that the total Federal Government deficit would be \$69.000m (£38,333m), which was almost \$16,000m greater than the 1977 defecit.

He also pointed out that in the six months to the end of next March the United States Treasury would probably have to borrow about \$10,000m more than it did in the corresponding year earlier

period.

Dr Burns was confident that the economic recovery would continue, although it was unlikely that unemployment in the year ahead would fall below 6.5 per cent from its current 7 per cent rate.

He noted that the Fed believed the economy was now growing at a faster pace than was seen in the third quarter of this year when real gross national product rose at an annual rate of 3.8 per

work, and a further £4m will go on the Urban Programme. Mr Shore has decided not to

introduce any scheme for imposing fees for building

regulation applications next year. This means that local authorities in England and Wales will forgo an estimated

"I shall therefore be allow-

ing local authorities an additional £13m out of the £400m

to count as relevant expendi-

ture for the purposes of the rate support grant settlement.

which I shall be making shortly."

Reaction from the construc-

tion industry to the £400m package has been muted.

largely by disappointment that

the aid was not being made immediately available.

new Occidental

refinery plans

By Roger Vielvoye

£13m in revenue.

Progress on UK role in European options

From Richard Allen Amsterdam, Nov 9

A number of potential ob-stacles to the success of the European Oprions Exchange, which is scheduled to open in Amsterdam next April, could be removed within a few weeks. According to Mr E. M. Lemberger, chairman of the EOE, negotiations with the Bank of England concerning British
participation in options on the
Amsterdam exchange covering
domestic United Kingdom
stocks have been "positive and cordial ".

He said he did not envisage any objections from the Bank as long as the funds involved in transactions on British stock options remained within the London system.

Exchange control restrictions
—in particular the surrender
rule introduced by the Bank last year-are expected severely to limit United Kingdom interest in international stock optious traded in Holland. But the Amsterdam Stock Exchango expects significant London in-terest in the five British stock options it plans to include in an opening list covering 20

international securities.
The other underlying securities are expected to be made up of five Dutch internationals, including perhaps Unilever, Royal Dutch/Shell and Philips, five United States leaders and five drawn from the rest of

Europe.
Although 310 applications for seats on the new exchange have already been received, it is felt that several would-be participants—particularly from overseas—are holding back until the articles of association of the

EOE have been approved.

Referring to one other potential obstacle, the possible refusal of the American Securities and Exchange Commission to provide the Amsterdam exchange with associate status, Mr Lemberger said that this would not prevent the EOE making a "parallel" market in options covering the same

underlying securities.
It is understood that a number of British stockbroking firms and merchant banks have shown interest and more than two-thirds of the members of the London Traded Option Users' Association have made

written applications. However, applications to date represent no more than letters of agreement in principle and the real test will come when interested groups are asked to our up cash for seats after it corporation of the clearing com-

An interesting aspect of the An interesting aspect of the Amsterdam proposals is that all options traded will be dealt in the domestic currency of the underlying security, thus largely removing the effects of currency fluctuations from traded option movements.

Me Lomberger claimed that

Mr Lemberger claimed that this was in part a reflection of the EOE's determination not to create a gambling casino atmocreate a gambling casino atmosphere. Commenting on the SEC decision recently to clamp down on options growth following evidence of abuses. Mr Lemberger said: "You can make monkey business out of any business."

The option clearing company expects to complete develop-ment work including a computerized settlement system by January and market trials should start during February.

BSC berrows £53m

British Steel has borrowed £52.7m from the European Investment Bank to help meet the cost of the £220m expansion scheme at the Ravenscraig works at Motherwell. The loan, for 12 years at refinery but would appeal 8.75 per cent, is the biggest against the council's rejection ever made by the bank.

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Financial Editor, page 21 Travel agents see likelihood of price war next year when resale agreement ends

rom Patricia Tisdall Lisbon, Nov 9

A price war between Britain's A price war between Britain's 4,000 travel agents could break out next year following the abandonment of resale price mintenance. Widespread discounting by tour operators led by British Airways followed the dropping of a similar restriction this year.

this year.

Delegates at the final session of the Association of British Travel Agents' annual conven-tion in Lisbon today were told about the likelihood of similar practices spreading to the retail trade as well as a range of special incentives from trading stamps to free transportation to

ABTA, which is strongly opposed to discretionary competition among members, has agreed to drop all rules restricting prices and commission levels from April 1 after dis-cussions with the Office of Fair Trading and government

By Caroline Atkinson

Geld closed 52 higher at 5167.875 an ounce in Loadon last night, its highest closing level for over two years.

The price jumped up again, de pite some profit-taking, as

investor interest continues to be strong and commercial de-

mand has held up notwith-standing the recent price in-

At the gold price has climbed

steadily in the past few months, more speculators and investors have been attracted into the

market, in particular from New

rise to continue, although profa-taking should ensure that

it is not extremely rapid.

The dollar had a better day

on the foreign exchange markets yesterday, largely as a result of the statement by Dr Arthur Burns, chairman, Fed-

eral Reserve board, that the Fed had decided to lower the turgets for M2 and M3 money

growth.
He also said that the Govern-

ment supported a strong dollar. The dollar closed up 35 points in Germany at DM2.26 and recovered from 246.7 year to

Ine pound had a nixed day,

a galy following the movements of the dollar ofter a sharp fell

in the morning.

Dealers generally expect the

It is still hoping that excessive discounting will be curbed through trading agreements drawn up individually between nour operators and agents. But it became clear at the confer-ence that such agreements would not be comprehensive.

so far only Horizon Midland and Cosmos have undertaken to maintain the same price in every outlet and not to permit an agency to sell at a different price. Even if the others follow the form of contract suggested by ABTA this would not restrict incentive activity carried out by the travel agent. the travel agent.

Dropping of the price mainte-nance clause from the associa-tion's code of practice is one of 16 agreements now abandoned as a result of the new restrictive practices legislation. In rehas undertaken to allow at least a year before it refers the "closed shop" rule—which the

to its future existence—to the Restrictive Practices Court. ABTA is using the respite to strengthen its case for retaining this clause, which restricts non-members from selling holidays.

Conflicting views about next year's holiday sale prospects are being taken by the tour operators, Cosmos, which announced its programme for 1978 yesterday, is expecting to carry only about the same number of people on inclusive air holidays as this year. Cosmos is instead looking for growth from its coach tour division.

But Thomson Holidays which

But Thomson Holidays, which has the biggest share of sales, says that early demand for holidays has been higher than at any time since 1974.

At the same time the com-pany is hedging its bets by reintroducing a programme of low-cost air fares from Novem-ber to April which will mop up any unsold full price inclusive holiday air charter seats.

with Chase group

Three years after being rescued by the government, Ferranti has arranged loan

Progressive recovery of Fer-ranti's fortunes since 1974/5 is reflected in the loan arrangement. Then the government injected £15m into the electrical jected £15m into the electrical and electronics group in return for a 62½ per cent equity stake and 50 per cent of the voting rights. In the year to last March Ferranti made a £6.1m profit on sales of £125m. The loan will take the form of two facilities, one of £18m from a consortium led by Chase Manhattan Limited, the Chase group's merchant banking arm, and the other of £7m from Chase Manhattan Bank itself. Final maturity of the loans will be seven years and interest will be seven years and interest will be at an undisclosed margin

in 1974, but will not affect the government's equity holding. It will also pay off Fervann's overdraft, which was put at 69.9m in March. The remainder will be available for future working capital requirements.

The Canadian dollar plunged to another new closing low against the American dollar of 89.765 United States cents. This was in reaction to a call from Canada's Economic Council for more stimulative measures to boost flegging growth in Canada, and to con-tinued fears over political This came as most dealers instability in Quebec.

GOLD PRICE effective depreciation

began to doubt the story that the Saudi Arabians were about to ask for some oil payments to be made in sterling. Trading was fairly thin and the Bank of England was scarcely, if at all, in the market. Sterling closed \$1.95 down at \$1.8090, with an effective rate of 63.6, 1.1 higher than yesterday's last calculation.

Gold price jumps \$2 to Ferranti raises £25m loan reach two-year peak By Christopher Wilkins

facilities totalling £25m from a banking consortium which will enable it to repay government loans and its outstanding over-

over interbank rates.

Proceeds will repay the loan of £6.33m made to Ferranti by the National Enterprise Board

strike action.

reviewing urgently their arrangements, identifying problems if power cuts worsen as the Central Electricity Generating Board defends the national grid system under its minute-by-minute regional control

emergency generators but the problem is that they depend heavily on public supply for normal working. Pumps, compressors, ventilators, fire prevention equipment, control instrumentation of all kinds, refrigeration processes, furnaces, electro-firing mechanisms are all vulnerable to loss of

cannot be expected now to cover for men on strike. There is a limit to their patience as well as duties when not involved themselves in the unofficial dispute. The consequences of strike action in power stations are

quences seriously, but the cuts of recent weeks have changed artitudes very rapidly Matters are worsened by the fire cover problems. Industry is always prone to fires. Even with full protection arrangements there are constant out-

as auxiliary fire fighters.

with bydrocarbon fires.

sufficient to operate such machinery as cages to bring



Sir James Goldsmith yesterday: ready to bow out as chairman.

Sir James set to end Britannia Arrow reign

By Bryan Appleyard

would occupy him for six months.

Announcing the departure of two directors from the board at yesterday's annual meeting. Sir James said the directors had now largely achieved what they had set out to do in October 1975.

An announcement about the "further restructuring of the board" would be made as soon as it was appropriate to do so. Sir James expects the company now largely an insurance and investment management. pany, now largely an insurance and investment management group, to break even in 1978 following the losses announced in the first six mooths of this year of fl.8m, against f6.3m last year.

The two directors who are leaving the board are Mr.

The two directors who are leaving the board are Mr Dominique Leca and Mr Derek Thomason, whose areas of activity have been hived off. Sir James told shareholders that the company had agreed property sales recently totalling £21.6m on top of the £14m sold to Slater, Walker Limited, which itself was sold to the which itself was sold to the Bank of England for £3.5m. These disposals include the

Sir James Goldsmith seems ready to end his reign as chairman of Britannia Arrow Holdings, formerly Slater, Walker Securities after two years in a job that he originally forecast would occupy him for six against losses of to-sin. The board thought these properties could be realized in excess of book value, but believed any reduction in the provision to be inappropriate.
Additionally, £3.2m of invest-

ments have been realized at £700,000 over book value, making total realizations of £29m, of which £28.5m has been used to repay debts—almost all of them overseas.

For the future he pointed our that the insurance side was taking on no general business, concentrating any expansion on the life side.

Overall, prospects were strongly influenced by factors beyond the board's control, such as interest rates and the performance of markets. Mr Ivor Kennington, a director, said the consideration of preference dividend arrears against ordinary dividends would have to be considered by the board in due course. Sir James said the share-holders could be sure that this board or its successors would give the payment of dividends full priority when the trading position made it possible.

By John Huxley As expected, the bulk of the £400m additional expenditure for the construction and civil port, £23m; defence, £8m; trade, £8m; Home Office ser-vices, £5m; Property Services Agency, £3.5m; Lord Chancelengineering industries in 1978-79 announced by the Chan-cellor last month will go into the building sector, especially lor's department service, £3m; employment, £1m; energy, £0.7m; agriculture, fisheries, food and forestry, £0.3m; and

Mr Shore outlines his

£400m spending plans

housing.
However, in announcing other public services, £1m.
Programmes within the responsibilities of the Secretaries spending details yesterday, Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, said civil engineering would also benefit of State for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland receive

£76m.
A further £24m has been left from the increased expenditure on roads and some of the other unallocated and is available for other purposes. environmental services. British Waterways Board will receive £5m to undertake urgent repair and maintenance He said that the increases would halt the decline in de-

partmental construction programmes and give scope for modest increases in some sectors in 1978-79. "This will keep these programmes at a steady level, and should produce greater stability

for the industry."

Mr Shore explained that a large part of the expenditure would be undertaken by local In England, housing will receive about half of the money available, enabling housing associations and authorities to restore some of the 1976 cuts and put the housing capital pro-

gramme back on to a rising trend, he said.

The breakdown of expenditure is: housing, £150m; other environmental services, £33.5m;

health and personal services, £37m; education, £26m; trans-Productivity deal | Canvey rejects may give sugar men 19 pc rise

British Sugar Corporation has signed a pay deal with its 5,500 process workers which could

The corporation, in which the Government has a 24 per cent stake, is to increase pay by an average 10 per cent and introduce a self-financing productivity scheme for all employees. It has been cleared by the Gov-ernment, and hailed by union leaders as a "genuine model" productivity agreement.

All workers will receive a guaranteed 14.4 per cent this year largely because of the good sugar beet crop. They will then go on to earn further bonus payments, depending on the amount of sugar produced, com-

Revised plans by Occidental Petroleum for a six million bart: s-a-day oil refinery at Canvey Island in Essex have been rejected by Castle Point District Council. The company which already give rises of 19 per cent. The company, which already had permission for a simple hydro-skimming plant, wanted to

include a catalytic cracker to produce more gasoline and chemical feedstocks in the revamped project. Occidental began work on the hydro-skimming plant in 1974 but suspended operations early the following year after £55m had been spent. It said at the time there was no longer

any market for a refinery orientated town is the production of fuer oils.

The revised scheme would cost about £200m. Occidental said yesterday it could still complete the hydro-skimming refinery but would anneal

Industry presses for power supply priorities to avoid factory chaos

power supplies.
Yesterday, works managers
and fire prevention staff were

arrangements. Many big plants maintain

to security of the system from sudden deterioration in the balance of supply and demand (some very big power stations are at risk in the unofficial action), then suspension of the board's statutory duty to maintain supplies will be inevitable.

lations to give priority to in-dustrial customers wherever In the coal strike and the powermen's work to rule in the autumn of 1974, the Government then lost little time in effecting statutory cuts of one-fifth in

supplies. The CEGB is faced with the problem that its skilled power engineers, who have put in extra effort in recent weeks,

being taken very seriously. When the men involved first threatened to take unofficial action few viewed the conse-

Shell said that every person working on a Shell refinery had some training to fire fighting. All units were genred to coping

any backup facility.
Oil companies take particularly stringent precautions to

to full-time fire officers all their security men were profes-sional fire fighters.

In the event of a fire they

ensure that every possible fail safe is built into the system. Shell UK said that in addition

coaldields. But if there was a power failure work under-ground would have to stop. Pits had their own generating equipment, but it was only

There was mounting alarm in industry yesterday over the threat of chaos in factories,

process plant, and essential commercial installations without prompt Government action to establish electricity supply priorities. Revisions of present area-by-area power load shedding arrangements seem inevitable now that some power station workers propose unofficial

Worries are heightened by the parallel threat of a with-drawal of public fire fighting and prevention facilities. British industry already maintains its own capability to deal with fires and hazards to production, but it is heavily dependent on

The Government is keeping in close touch with the CEGB in close touch with the CEGB breaks for one reason or machinery as cage and, if there seems clear threats another. Most vulnerable are men to the surface.

premises in the chemical, engineering distribution, paper and textile industries. ICI's safety adviser said that

all safety systems at ICI sites were designed to cope with the possibility of such eventualities as a national grid failure. All sites have their own power units; at the big Wilton site in the North-East ICI even has its own power station. There was concern that during a firemen's strike they would be without

can call on a special nucleus of workers from the site who act

The National Coal Board said that all pits had their own underground fire units. These could, if necessary, be used to cope with surface fires. They could also call on the fire fighting teams held in reserve at central rescue stations in the

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Gold gained \$2 an ounce to \$167.875.

SDR-\$ was 1.7992 on Wednesday, while SDR-\$ was 0.647916.

Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1461.0 (previous 1462.2).

Reports, pages 22 and 24 figures tell back.
Gilf-edged securities were mixed.
Dollar premium 95.12 per cent
(effective rate 35.83 per cent).
Sterling lost 195 pts to \$1,8090.
The effective exchange rate index
was at 63.6. fautues fell back.

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Contingency arrangements are thought to provide for more drastic rota cuts, probably to reduce demand by between 10 and 20 per cent, controlled if necessary by government regu-



Mr. Paul Zetter reports record results.

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£5,441,900 up by 39% and betting duty) Profils before taxation £595,000 up by 38% Profits after taxation £273,000 up by 40% Dividend 1.160p per share

Earnings per share

4.16p up by 34%

The following are extracts from the Chairman's circulated statement for the year ended 31st March, 1977:-

 Football Pools The mean which ended on 31st March, 1977, saw the successful conclusion of the acoustion of Copes Pools and the start of the negotiations for Emoure Pools. These negotiations, as all shareholders were informed on the 8th June. have also been successfully concluded. Consequently, single I wrote my report at this

time last year, we have taken over two most important rivals, with the result of increasing our furnover threefold, and, in the process, rationalizing the Football Foot Industry. Your Directors were satisfied that considerable

advantages were to be gamed from these tableovers. With the benefit of more than two months of operational experience betand us, this view has

 Bingo One can never be reality satisfied to report lack of progress, but ju all circumstances there is reason for some sansfaction this year.

Summer in 1976, when attendances at our Clubs, in common with all such indoor leasure activities, understandably attracted tiers low attendances, followed by a long, met and rold Winter, Hotwithstanding these bad conditions, profits have sausractouly held.

 Future it is clearly too cariff to torocast results, but the year has started well and we are all optimicha. If the ellormous efforts of a marvellous Staff and Boards of Directors are justly rewardedour optimism will be seen to be amply justified.



ECGD lifts insurance cover on British exports to 37.7pc

Nearly 38 per cent of British exports are now covered by insurance with the Govern-ment's Export Credits Guaran-

The annual report of the department, published yesterday, shows that there was a 39.8 per cent rise in the value of exports insured in 1976-77, to a total of £11,728m. This represents a volume increase of 13 per cent.

Exports covered by the de-partment have increased steadily from under 28 per cent 10 years ago to the present 37.7 per cent. In 1975-76 about 35.5 ner cent was covered.

Claims paid out to exporters under the scheme rose by 61 per cent to a record of £61.7m in the last financial year.

The bulk of the department's business relates to short-term credit for exports where payment is due within 180 days. The value of this business rose by 44 per cent last year to £9,358m (79.3 per cent of the total insured exports).

Guarantees to banks are also given by the department enabling exporters to get bank credit more easily and on more favourable terms. The total outstanding export finance provided by banks under these guarantees went up from 12,409m in 1975-76 to around 3,000m in the year ending

The department is also involved in non-trading activities on which it does not

aiming to cover costs. These include the refinancing of fixed rate sterling export credits and subsidizing of export credit interest rates.

Since last year there has been a move to encourage exporters to finance major contracts in foreign currencies. This affects the buyer credit guarantees, where the depart-ment guarantees British bank loans to overseas purchasers of heavy exports.

The Chancellor included the change in his measures last December as the foreign currency finance obtained immediately benefits the balance of payments capital account (so bolstering the pound) and the switch from sterling credit (which is now refinanced by the department) cuts the cost to the Government of the refinancing.

There have been suggestions recently that this switch is no longer desirable now that the pound is so strong.

The department said how-

ever, that the Government was still keen to maintain the switch for the small proportion of exports affected by it.

Talks are continuing between the banks and the department the banks and the department on cutting the government cost of sterling finance by raising the amount of loans taken by the banks. At present about 75 per cent of net new buyer credit guarantees in sterling are refinanced by the department.

Surveyors back unit trust investment in property

By Desmond Quigley Unit trusts should be allowed to attract funds for investment in property, the Royal Institu-tion of Chartered Surveyors states in its evidence to the Wilson Committee, which is investigating the operations of

inancial institutions. The institute argues in its report that there is nothing to suggest that investment in property has diverted money from industry. On the contrary, it is argued that property invest-ment is directly and indirectly beneficial to industry and com-

Criteria applied by financial institutions when considering investment in property are

given as well as the main sources of finance, long and short-term, with the volume of funds invested.

The report claims that foreign investment in United Kingdom property, which has sometimes been the subject of public criticism, is considered to be on a small scale.

There is no indication, the institute states, that the operation of the propery market has produced an over-supply of any one category at the expense of another, although some categories, such as residential pro-perty for letting, woodlands and minerals, are unattractive because of low returns or high

Business appointments

Sedgwick Forbes' new directors

will join the board of Sedgwick Forbes Holdings on January 1. Mr I. H. F. Findlay, Mr W. E. Parton and Mr M. R. Riesco are

retiring. Mr J. F. Crosfield has gone on

retiring.

Mr J. F. Crossield has gone on to the board of Baker Perkins.

Mr D. E. Filer and Dr W. F. Madden join the board of ICI plastics division on January I. Two directors. Dr J. Gadsby and Dr A. H. Willbourn and the deputy chairman, Mr R. B. Richards, will retire in March.

Mr P. E. Hutson, resident director in London of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, becomes chairman of the Corporation's London advisory committee in succession to Sir John Saunders, who remains a member. Mr M. J. Gent joins the committee in place of Mr K. M. G. Anderson. who has retired.

Mr David Newbigging, chairman and senior managing director of Jardine, Matheson & Company has been made a member of the International Council of Morgan Guaranty Trust of New York.

Mr W. T. Cook has become a director and Mr W. W. Say a special director of Eva Iodustries. Sir George Leeds is now chairman of Clive Investments (Jersey).

Mr Rimsyn Nassar has been appointed to the board of Blue Bird Confectionery Holdings and its group companies.

Mr B. McGillivray becomes managing director of Rentokil Group on January 1 after the retirement of Mr E. M. Buchan who remains on the board as a non-executive director. Mr J. McCue joins Mr

of Mr E. M. Buchan who remains on the board as a non-executive director. Mr J. McCue joins Mr A. A. Tyrer as a managing director of Rentokil.

Mr S. P. Roberts has been made an additional director of C. E. Heath & Company (Midlands).

Mr Terry Harris has been made a director of ITW and European marketing director for Buildex.

Mr F. J. Cruickshank and Mr R. W. Noble have been made directors of J. Jarvis and Sons.

Mr Hugh O'Donnell has now hecome senior partner of Brian Colquhoun and Pariners, following the death of Mr Brian Colquhoun.

Mr D. A. H. Younger has joined the board of EC Cases as a non-executive director.

Mr D. A. S. Mactellan is to be made a director of Weir Westgarib from January 1.

Mr Eric Pattle has been armoin.

made a director of Weir Westgarib from January 1.

Mr Eric Pattle has been appointed chief executive-designate of Moore Bosiness Forms, United Kingdom and Eire region, succeeding Mr John Grant who is retiring.

Mr Geoffrey Cope joins the board of Wigham Poland Holdings.

Mr Ian McKinnon has become managing director of Aveling Marshall.

£4.4m extension for Ford plant

Ford of Britain is to invest £4.4m in modernizing and extending the car body and assembly toolroom at its Dagenham, Essex, plant.

Work will start early next year to add 1,500 sq metres to the existing 5,200 sq metres of workspace. The aim is to provide up to 76,000 more hours of output each year, reduce the need for outside tooling services and improve working con-

New machines will include two copy mills costing over flm, which automatically reproduce any given car shape, and two mills for surface machining of heavy castings, together worth £1.2m.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Golds gleam amid surrounding gloom

Index was four points lower, the drift in prices owed more to lack of interest than selling. But late reports that the Yorkstire power workers were call-ing for a total strike put an altogether different complexion on things and by the close the index was 9.9 off at 482.3 as

the selling pressure built up. Though gilts had a rather better session they were mixed by the close. Short-dates issues ended at or a little below their overnight levels while at the longer-end gains were, at best, half a point and in most cases

Once again the equity market proved its present sensitivity to industrial news and another source of disappointment was a level of bargains marked which, at 4,772, was the lowest since late August.

ABF's £2m strike loss could be topped by RHM which has a bigger market share. Final results from RHM, due later results from RHM, due later this month, are likely to show a hakery loss but it is the current period that will be hit bu the stoppage. Meanwhile, like the other bakery giants, RHM is looking for a 2p to 3p a loaf rise which may or may not be enough to pull the division back into the black.

Contractor John Mowlem proved to be one of the day's proved to be one of the day's strongest features after news of a dividend boosting acquisition.

On the bid front Morgan-Grampian gave up 15p to 155p as profits were taken, while speculative demand boosted Electrocomponents 12p to 315p, Johnson-Richards Tiles 8p to 322p and housebuilder Orme Developments which gained 4p Developments which gained 4p to 55p. For hie last named the attraction could be the acquisition of a land bank.

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In the engineering sector W Staveley Industries gave up a Div 3p ries which preceded figures are shown on a gross basis. To establih gros multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown to end 6p lower at 235p, while pre-tax and earnings are net. a Forecast. b Loss. c Rands.

The two-day rally came to an abrupt halt as share prices again succumbed to discouracing news on the industrial front.

Until 3 om, when the FT lnoex was four points lower, while interim figures left Richardsons.

After two-day rally came to an Chubb eased a penuy to 118p after confirmation of the fears expressed here. A gain of 4p to 142p for Vosper owed much to compensation hopes, while interim figures lateral figures. Lateral figures Lateral figures Lateral figures. news. In the electrical sector EMI gave up all of a 5p gain After recent figures Lucas reacted 10p to 276p, but Smiths Industries, another reporting this week, gained 50 to 163p.

Dutch losses from General Accident had the shares 10p lower to 240p and also cast a hadow over the insurance sector. Among the worst affected were Royal which lost 10p to 408p and Guardian Royal Ex-change which ended 8p down

Elsewhere in financials encouraging lending and deposit figures helped the clearing banks to have another strong session. There were gains of 8p from Barclays at 325p and Midland at 355p, while Bank of Scotland 265p, Lloyds 267p and National Westminster 267p also advanced by five points.

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Over in papers the friendless Reed Group was still hindered by the troubles at the Daily Mirro, losing another 4p to 130p, but Pyramid held steady at 40p after figures. Favourable comment lifted Mitchell Somers 2p to 54p while capital plans had Consolidated Plantations 810 ahead to 1060. Epicure was 81p ahead to 106p. Epicure was

which preceded their report and by the close were a point down to 211p. But both ICL 4p to 216p and Decca 'A' 10p to 405p resisted the trend to gain One sector to record good

to £9.50.

trial leaders, especially late in the day, were Beecham at 625p and Glaxo at 595p and both off 12p at the close. Others beavily in retreat were Unilever 8p to 560j and ICI 7p to 363p, though many feel the latter has now discounted most of the market

gains was golds with strong per-formances from Vaal Reefs, up 75p to £12.12, West Driefontein 62p to £20, FS Geduld 50p to £11.37 and Buffelsfontein 40p

Figures from J. Crowther and A Arenson brought a bulbish response the shares rising 2p to 40p and 7p to 33p respectively. But Readicut dipped 22p to 311p on some disappointment with figures and forecast. Whitbread "A" held steady at 89p after comment on the previous

day's figures.

The worst hit of the indus-

Street pricing war. In the event the shares dipped 13p to 217p after a warning on future profit 3p to 398p.

margins.
In oils the Lasmo Ops gained

Staveley did not fulfil the best market hopes and the shares weakened yesterday. But B. Elliott rose 3p to 110p. Profits assisted by newcomer Newall Machine Tool should rise by at least 50 per cent to £6.3m and possibly more this year and Elliott paid for Newall partly m cash jortifying earnings a share. The South Ajrican profit contribution is small. But even so the shares depend on their market as much os anything.

The worsening labour news lopped several pence from industrial leaders after hours. In Equity turnover on November 8 was £67.10m (13.282 bargains). Active stocks vesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were ICI, BAT, Dfd, Barclays Bank, Grand Metropolitan, Midland Bank, National Westmin-ster Bank, Bowater, Coral new, GEC, Orme Developments, Uni-lever, Shell, Commercial Union, lears in its price.

In foods most interest centred on figures from J. Sainsbury which, it was hoped, would show up the effect of the High

Latest results

ompan y _	Sales	Profits	Earnings	Div	Pay	Year's
it or Fin	£m	£mt	per share	pence	date	total
mbrose Inv (I)	()	0.26(0.23)	—(—)	1.8(1.5)		-(4.0)
Arenson (F)	11.9(7.6)	0.47(0.48b)	6.16(10.30h)	1.2(1.2)		.9(1.9)
h Spinging (I)	2.4(2.3)	0.01(0.008)	11,48(1.51)	1,0(1.0)		-(3.9)
	()	0,10(0,41)	()	0.95(0.95)		-(2.2)
ubb & Son (I)		5.3(5.1)	()	1.37(1.23)	7.12 -	-(3.4)
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pe Sportsw'r (I)		0.21(0.15)	2.23(2,34)	0.24(0.32)	6-1 —	(0.32)
hn Crowther (I)		0.02(0.06b)	-(-)	—(—)		-{0.59}
ienroad Ring (I)		0.02(0.06)	ii	0.\$(0.5)		(2.1)
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hn Foster (I)		0.12(0.146)	}i	—(—)		(1.6)
n Accident (I)		50.4(26.6)	—ì—ì	(`—'i		·(—)
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on & Pro Sho (F)	1 0(0 83)	0.43(0.32)	1.91(1.56)	0.43(0.38)		73(0.6)
ramid Gro (I)		—(—)	-(-)	0.54(0.53)		(2.1)
	42.8(36.8)	2,4(2.1)	1.54(1.33)	0.47(0.42)		-(1.3)
chrdsn West (I)		0.97(0.65)	3.7(2.4)	1.05(1.05)		-(4.0)
Sainsbury (I)	405.1(326.1)	12.46(10.7)		2.03(1.62)		(5.3)
	120.1(103.8)	9.1(6.7)	-{-} }	4.0(4.0)		1.0a(7.8)
			3.70(2.07)	0.33(0.30)		(0.9)
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Gross Cash loss restrains Chubb and rise in pound is hurting

By Victor Felstead

The impact on Chubb & Son, the lock and safe concern, caused by the takeover earlier this year of Gross Cash Registers can be gauged from the latest figures. But efforts are being made to pull round the

company.
In the half-year to September 30, group pre-tax profits were just 5.1 per cent up at £5.39m on the back of a 29.2 per cent increase in sales to £95.93m. These figures include the 8! mouths' loss from Gross Cash since acquisition and profits for nine mouths from the other takeover, L. & F. Willenhall. Excluding these, first-half sales were up by 15 per cent and pre-

were up by 15 per cent and pre-tax profits by almost 22 per cent.
The market seems to have

The market seems to have discounted the news and the shares eased only a penny to 118p yesterday. Last month they were 133p.

The board explains that at the time of the takeover of Gross it was expected there would be a continuing pre-tax loss and this was reflected in

Mowlem bid

near doubles

Construction group John Mowlem is to spend £4m in a bid deal which will expand its

interests into the process en-gineering business for the oil and gas industries.

Coming under the Mowlem umbrella is Cheshire-based McTay Engineering which specializes in the manufacture and installation of pipework and storage make.

storage tanks.

The privately owned company is controlled by the family interests of chairman Mr James McBurney, who achieved millionaire status on the basis of the deal

the deal.

The Mowlem take-over price is linked to the profits performance of McTay in the current financial year. Around £4m will be paid initially in the form of £559,000 cash and the rest in Mowlem shares, while the balance of up to £1.65m will depend on the level of McTay trofits at the April 30 year

profits at the April 30 year end.

Colimico, a small private com-pany developing a new plastic-based cladding material for the construction industry.

Because the construction group has issued a substantial

number of new shares, Treasury permission has been granted for the near doubling of the

dividend this year. Share-holders can expect dividends totalling 9.85p gross for the year to December 31, 1977,

year to December 31, 1977, against 5.0p (adjusted).

There is also the promise of much improved results from Mowlem. Pre-tax profits for the six months to June 30 amounted to £2.7m and the discrete assistant.

directors anticipate a similar performance in the second half

year. However, an eight-month

year. However, an eight-month contribution from McTay—which made a pre-tax surplus for the year to April 30 last of £882,000 on turnover of £10m—could push th eMowlem figure beyond £6m.

Net tangible assets of McTay

at the year-end were £2.7m.
Earlier this year Mowlem bought the contracting interests

of Ernest Ireland for around

Included in the take-over is

the deal.

dividend

Lord Hayter, chairman.

the terms of the offer. In fact, in the period since January 21, the loss was £1.1m. In the period since January 1, Willenhall has made £251,000 pre-tax. Action is being taken to rectify the problems at Gross, which should be trading at a "modest level of profitability" by the end of this year. But at the pre-

tax level, Gross's figures will be affected by the cost of supporting borrowings.

A breakdown of total turnover shows that home sales were 53.5 per cent higher at £42.37m and overseas (including United Kingdom exports) 14.8 per cent ahead at £53.55m.

Trading profits managed an Trading profits managed an 11.4 per cent gain to £6.67m.

But net interest charges were p by half to £1.27m, so pretax profits were just 5.1 per cent better at £5.39m. Of this, home's share was actually down by 5.4 per cent, while overseas was almost 10 per cent up.
The board declares that the group is in good shape and has a healthy order book. But there a healthy order book. But there are bound to be for some time heavier interest charges relating to Gross. The movement of sterling against overseas currencies will materially affect the conversion of overseas profits at the year-end.

The property of the Chubb

The recovery of the Chubh companies on the Continent has not only been maintained, but the rate of recovery and the resultant profits have risen

Slea plans reverse bid so **Epicure** is suspended

more than four months, Epicure Holdings has had its shares sus-pended. This time the reason i negotiation wetween Epicure and Slea Holdings, a private company, about a merger.

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The two groups are, to say the least, closely linked. Epicure was once a small piece of the Lowson empire and Estates House Investment Trust eventually sold most of it to Slea Holdings. For its 84 percent stake it paid 54p a share. There followed, in September. 1976, a placing, taking the Slea stake down to 69 per cent. Soon after, a sale by Slea lowered the stake to 574 percent.

For the second time in little more than four months, Epicure Holdings has had its shares sussemedd. This time the reason negotiation wetween Epicure and Slea Holdings, a private company, about a merger.

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cent stake it paid 5½p a share.

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Soon after, a sale by Slea Slea's board has agreed to lowered the stake to 57.4 per extend Spicure's option to cent.

For all its modest size, Ratiomatic, pending the out Epicure has been a stock come of the talks.

Export led boom at A. Arenson

A turnround of almost £1m nushed office and domestic furniture maker A. Arenson (Holdings) back into profit in the year to July 31 last. At the pre-tax level the group made £470,000 against a loss of £485,000.

Turnover jumped by more than 50 per cent from £7.5m to £11.9m with exports chipping

The upward trend evident throughout the year is likely to continue. Mr Archy Arenson, chairman, predicts a rising turnover with orders increasing both at home and abroad.

This forecast was enough for the market yesterday where shares rose 5p to 32p at one

The chairman reveals also reports that the group will con-centrate on getting margins back to the previous levels of around 13 per cent. Last year they tightened, at the pre-tax level, to just under 4 per cent. For the second year Arenson has benefited from a contribution from the domestic furniture division. The flat-pack, selfassembly units mainly retailed through discount stores, now account for a quarter of turn-over. The chairman expects this

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to increase. At present the group expects little from this side but Mr Arenson says that the group is seeking outlets in Europe. It is unlikely that the group will use its subsidiaries for distribution. It will probably sell to large

overseas buyers.

Demand for office furniture is in line with budgets and this division continues to benefit from the recent £1.5m spending programme.

Arenson imports around 80 per cent of the chip board used in its manufacturing and the chairman warns shareholders that unless the British chipboard industry can produce a better quality produce a better quality product in a size more suitable to the group—Arenson is the largest British user outside the building trade—these high imports will continue.

J Foster set for better year

better exports, this spinning and weaving group—it is based at the famous Black Dyke Mills in Bradford—reports a much larger order book than for the same time last year.

Mr G. F. Grant, chairman, Arrects present applies for the expects pre-tax profits for the full year to be "significantly greater" than the £382,000 brought in for the year to March 31.

Pundaloya talking to Scottish Ceylon

Merger talks are on between Pundaloya Holdings and Scot-tish Ceylon Tea, a joint announcement said yesterday. In 1976 the listing for the capitals of both companies were cancelled; but applications to make specific bargains may be made under Rule 163 (2). In 1975 Scottish Ceyton's estates and other assets in Sri Lanka were nationalized. Last Decemwere nationalized. Last Decem Despite public spending cuts. \$421,000 for the six months to ber the board explained that and competition, Jaskson Group; June 30 although turnover shot there were two options open a member of Mr M. J. H. wheed from \$55m to \$75m.

The busiest part of John to the company. The first was Foster's year comes in the to merge with a company or second half, and the group is undismayed by its interim loss of £127,000. This is in any case down on last year's eventual winding-up when all £148,000 loss. Thanks mainly to compensation had been Nightingale's over-the-counter market, is holding its own. Prestation to establish a stronger to June 30 rose 12 per cent to eventual winding-up when all the Suffolk based construction group increased 26 per cent to

Mr Chester Beatty's large share sales

Mr A. Chester Bearty, chair-man of Selection Trust, has re-duced his personal shareholding in the group by more than 25 per cent ove rthe past three and a half months. His beneficial holding has fallen from 494,614 shares to 369,614 shares. The Selection Trust offer docu-ment for Kleeman Industried Holdings shows that Mr Chester

Cuts fail to halt Jackson Group the Suffolk based construction group increased 26 per cent to £4.4m. No marked change is to be expected in the second helf year

but the prospect of some increase in construction gives ground for optimism about 1978. The order book for next year is already high.

A not so pleasing Silbouette

The second half of the year at Silhouette (London), should show a communing Beanty sold 50,000 shares on July 29 at an average price of 430p a share; 25,000 on August 3 at 440p, 25,000 on September 6 at 445p and 25,000 on September 6 at 445p and 25,000 on September 6 at 45p. tion garments and swimwear concern reports a rise in pretax pentits of 5 per cent to £421,000 for the sex months to

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Nine months' results

Interim Statement The results for the nine months ended 30th September 1977, estimated and subject to audit, are compared below with those for the similar period in 1976 which are restated at 31st Decemher 1976 rates of exchange; also shown are the actual results

It must be emphasised that the results for the interim period

do not necessarily provide a reliable indication of those for the

	to 30.9.77 Estimate	9 Months to 30.9.76 Estimate £ Millions	1976 Actual
Net written premiums—General Business	<u> 534.8</u>	463.7	620.3
Investment Income	58.0	41.2	60.0
Underwriting Results — General Business	(8.3)	(14.8)	(17.6)
Long Term Insurance Profits	1.9	1.4	1.9
Loan & Bank Interest	31.6 1.2	27.8 1.2	44.3 1.7
Profit before Tax & Minority Interests	50.4	26.6	42.6
Exchange Rates: U.S.A.	\$1.75	\$1.70	\$1.70
Canada	\$1.58	\$1.71	\$1.71

Net written premiums and investment income increased in sterling terms by 15.3% and 40.7% respectively. Adjusted to exclude the effects of currency fluctuations, the increases were

18.0 and 44.2% respectively. The underwriting loss in the United Kingdom was £3.2 million (1976, £3.6 million loss) on net written premiums of £176 million (1976, £148 million). The Motor and Homeowners accounts both contributed to the loss for the nine months, but the improvements reported at the half year have been maintained. The Liability accounts, however, have shown some

In the United States net written premiums were \$371 million (1976, 5314 million) and the operating ratio was 101.12% as compared with 104.88% for the same period in 1976. The Automobile department shows a continuing improvement and hetter results were achieved also in the Property classes although the latter remain in a loss position. The Liability

departments, however, have again produced poor results. A satisfactory third quarter performance was obtained in all other major territories, with the exception of Europe where further substantial losses were incurred in the Netherlands.



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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Accountants and the public interest

The Cross Report on the disciplinary than 10 per cent for full year profits of procedures of the major United Kingdom close to £30m against £26.2m last time. That accountancy bodies has put the profession in a very tight corner. Suggestions for improving the monitoring of complaints of inadequate work for private clients are not contentious and are likely to be accepted with alacrity by the institutes, but in considering the question of professional com-petence involving the public interest, Cross enters much stonier ground. For if the solution he proposes proves not to be workable the alternative could be a statutory authority appointed by the Government. So to some extent accountants risk losing

their valued independence. But there is a growing understanding that the problems of self-regulation for a professional body, which provides the most important check against fraud and managerial error on behalf of the investing public is different both in kind and complexity from self-regulation of the City's markets.

The Cross Report suggests the accountancy bodies set up a tribunal with appeal

ancy bodies set up a tribunal with appeal machinery, including a layman with financial knowledge, to examine bad workmanship which has come to its attention as a result of a Department of Trade Inspectors' or similar reports. If misconduct is established, the case may be dealt with by the institutes' existing constitutional rules, but if professional incompetence only is found, the tribunal would publish an appropriate censure statement.

Considering the statutory alternative, Cross says it would be illogical to set up any statutory tribunal whose jurisdiction was confined solely to accountants, as there may be many others who have had a hand in incompetence resulting in the public's

The guardians of the financial community are not accountants generally, but accountants acting as auditors. An accountant who is a director is in the same position as a lawyer who is a director, the fact of his professional background is irrelevant. The public is concerned that the guardians it asks to check accounts, checks them properly, and when they fail to do so are seen to be punished.

The attractions of a limited statutory authority to do this may be too great for either the profession or the Department of Trade to ignore.

J Sainsbury

Feeling the Tesco squeeze

Guarded comments from Sainsbury on the current trading outlook can only strengthen the views of those who think it is time to be selling food retailers' shares while they still command a premium rating. Sainsbury's own results are entirely respectable. Sales are up by 24; per cent to £406m, profits are



Mr John Sainsbury, chairman of J. Sainsbury. 16.4 per cent ahead at £12.5m, and volume

sales are 4 per cent higher against a grocery trade drop of about the same amount. But the pressure on margins apparent in the first half, and noted on Tuesday by AB Foods, is evidently continuing under the impact of the increasingly competitive condi-

tions sparked off by Tesco.
All of this leaves the industry as a whole looking exposed. The days when profits rose because food prices were climbing much faster than costs are now effectively over, and the two seem likely to move much

more in tandem. Meanwhile, Sainsbury itself is not expecting a repeat this year of the extraordinarily buoyant second half in 1976-77, so profit growth in this period may not be much more leaves the shares at 217p selling at over 12 times prospective earnings and yielding 4. per cent, a generous enough rating in the circumstances.

General Accident

A favourite candidate

In the composite insurance sector the market's current preoccupation is with likely North American performance over the next year or so, and here General Accident, with a powerful position and the best balance sheet ratios among British composites, emerges as a favourite candidate. Most analysts agree that operating results from the United States and Canada will improve through to at least the end of next year rates are rising on all lines, claims ratios are good and in Canada there are real hopes that the Anti-Inflation Board will soon relax

Yesterday's third quarter results should support all the optimistic assumptions about GA. True worldwide underwriting, after break-even in the second quarter, slipped back into the red, leaving running underwriting losses of £8.3m, against £14.8m, after nine months. In the United Kingdom motor and homeowners' accounts are still lossmaking, the latter continuing to reflect subsidence claims, though fire remains profit-

In the United States, of course, the im-provement everyone is expecting began to show with a third quarter underwriting profits of £0.1m reducing running losses so far to £4.5m against £10.4m at this stage last year. Third quarter operating ratio was 99.05 per cent, and after nine months there was

Given the improvement to 101.12 per cent.
Given the impact of year-end provisions
on this latest figure and the remarkable
improvement (helped still by the effects of the rights issue) in investment income, GA profits seem set for something over £70m this year, against £42.6m.

The interesting point though is what potential there is for a substantial dividend crease should controls come off next year. At 240p the shares yield just over 5 per cent assuming 10 per cent more this year, but the payment will be covered nearly four times, and GA's North American liquidity suggest that it is better able than many to remit back to the United Kingdom for distribution.

 Tuesday night's news that the sterling Eurobond market has been resurrected after spending the past five years on ice is, of course, no more than a reflection of the revival in investor confidence in sterling over the past few months. True, the European Coal and Steel Community issue was not particularly large at £15m (and was specifically for on-lending to the United Kingdom). But investor interest has, apparently, been strong, and other issues are thought to be in the pipeline.

It is still early days, however, to forecast that the market could develop in a sizable way. For a start, the revived investor conidence in sterling has still to be consoli dated. Second, there is the question as to the manbers of potential borrowers.

There are, perhaps, two most obvious types of possible borrower. The first would be the overseas company investing in sterling assets and not, therefore, so worried about any further appreciation in sterling. But it could well be that the recently announced relaxation of exchange controls, giving considerably greater freedom to over-seas controlled United Kingdom companies to borrow domestic sterling, could reduce this potential source of demand to the extent that these companies can meet their requirements by borrowing medium-term funds on a floating rate basis from the

The second type of potential borrower could well be British companies, particularly British companies wishing to expand overseas—and companies which may, perhaps, be rather more bearish about the mediumterm prospects for sterling than some potential investors in sterling bonds. The real problem for many of these companies, however, continues to be less one of access to loan markets for funding overseas expansion than that of being allowed to push rather more of their own funds overseas other than through the dollar premium.

Bakeries become heated over the politics of bread

present spectacle, entered a period of high drama yesterday with the reappearance with a flourish of one of the leading actors who had occupied the stage in January.

Mr Jackson Moore, general secretary of the United Road Transport Union, which, among others, represents delivery men, visited the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection, where he saw Mr Ivor Lightman, Deputy Secretary in charge of prices. Mr Lightman, too, was in the

centre of the stage early this year. That was when Mr Hattersley, having recently succeeded Mrs Shirley Williams as Secretary of State, announced that he was going to dismantle the discount controls that she had imposed to stop the largest bread companies destroying each other in ferocious compe-tition.

In January the union refused to deliver bread to grocers who enjoyed unusually large dis-

enjoyed unusually large discounts from bakers.

Mr Hattersley has not yet reappeared from the wings, but he will surely do so, perhaps in the House of Commons, to announce like Gilbert and Sullivan's Mikado that his object all sublime, which he will achieve in time, is to make the price of a loaf lower than it would otherwise have been it would otherwise have been. The present proposed in-crease in the price of bread will put bakers back under the spot-light of food politics once again. This is precisely where they do not wish to be: they feel that they have been placed there more than enough by a

succession of governments. Prices of many fresh foods have fallen this year and the rate of increase in the process sector is slowing down. A notification by the bakers of a rise of more than a tenth of the Government's ceiling on the price of their product is bound to stand out amid the slower food price increases elsewhere. The companies want their rises to take effect in less than three weeks. They want to recover the cost of the recent strike by bakery workers over

... the siege mentality which characterizes the attitudes of the largest baking groups in the face of

intervention by ministries and other areas of government and statutory bodies 2

payment for Bank Holiday working and they are also now in negotiation for a new mational wage award.

Mr Moore claims that the

proposed rises are simply the price the country must pay for the industry's failure to implement the discount policy which as members demanded earlier in the year. It was a policy which Mr Hattersley rejected with determination, saying that he would never be drawn into fixing the wholesale price of bread.

He wanted to encourage shopkeepers to offer cut-price bread. To use the famous phrase which the Opposition failed to turn on him—as "lame ducks" was used to damage Mr John Davies in the last Concernative Contemporary last Conservative Government— he wanted bread prices to be lower than they would other-

Although the notifications of the 3p rise on a loaf have been sent to the Price Commission, Mr Hattersley will be drawn in, too. Bread is one of the few foods for which maximum prices are fixed by ministers. If the commission accepts the bakers' claims, Mr Hamersley will have an opportunity to use the increase at the end of



Dough pieces about to go into the bread ovens: a new national pay award for bakery workers is being negotiated.

November to recast his complicated bread price Order.

It includes much more than a maximum price for bread. It contains different maxima for different loaves in various parts of the country. The Orkney loaf has a different Hattersley price from the Ceredigion loaf At the same time the Order specifies the extent to which shopkeepers must cut prices according to the size of the dis-

counts they receive from manu-facturers. Such red tape encourages the siege mentality which characterizes the attitudes of the largest baking groups in the face of intervenarms of government and statutory bodies. by ministries and other of government and Many food processors fear that they will be losers in an

economic recovery and that increased consumer spending will be directed at other products than theirs. Scope for exporting bread is necessarily limited, so that the three large baking groups, RHM, Spillers and Asso-ciated British Foods, must compete among themselves for market shares.

market shares.

Together they supply well over half of the bread in the country and almost two thirds of bread is sold by grocers rather than retail bakers. The persistence of the trend to home baking and purchases of crusty bread after the bakery workers strike in September have been exaggerated, but the trend is there on a limited scale and it worries the large baking groups Although the large, wrapped, sliced loaf still accounts for more than half of all bread sales, it is being undermined by other types of loaf associated with more traditional types of

supplier. In the past those who disliked the wrapped loaf simply abused it: now they are likely to add to their abuse the observation that they kave found a dear little man in a corner shop who bakes the most exquisite crusty bread and has a queue every morning.
Flour accounts for a third of the cost of a loaf and the

exceptionally low quality of the British harvest this year has entailed greater imports of wheat, which is governed by the protective price support system of the Common Agricultural Policy. On costs and volume growth, therefore, the baking companies have little room for manoeuvre.

Indeed, they have nowhere to turn except towards each

Hugh Clayton

Economic notebook

No common interest in The Common Fund

There can be little doubt that the cause of in before long the world will see the creation of a new interTheir analysis agency called the Common Fund, perhaps located in London.

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It may prove to be something less than the powerful, catalytic institution sought by the developing countries as a means of stabilizing international commodity prices and increasing their benefits from trade But, with the proposals sub-mitted this week to the nego-tiating conference in Geneva, the industrialized nations have at last shown themselves pre-pared to engage in serious discussion about the form and character of a Common Fund. The positions of the developing and industrialized nations

remain far apart, as is apparent from the opening shots from each side at the month-long conference, involving more than a hundred countries, which began on Monday.

In a nutshell the Third World states want the establishment of an institution with its own sizable financial resources obtained from government sub-scriptions and private loans— which would be used to build up buffer stocks to support the market operations of individual commodity organizations.

Under these proposals it would also have a so-called second window, through which money would be channelled to help poor nations to diversify out of unprofitable crops, as well as supporting other measures, such as the promotion of new marketing techniques and research into fresh uses for commodities with

On the other hand, the industrialized countries see the Common Fund as a kind of banking facility to assist autonomous and separately financed international commodity organizations. They modity organizations. They would deposit their money with the Common Fund in return for a guarantee that they could draw in excess of their deposits when the need arose. Little scope is seen by the indus-trialized nations for a "second

window". Either version of the Com-mon Fund could theoretically stabilize prices for those com-modities that can be stored, if sufficient finance were made available. But precisely who would gain from such activities depends critically on the source of price instability.
As Mr Ezriel Brook and Mr

Enzo Grilli showed in a recent World Bank staff working paper, price stabilization would decrease the total earnings and welfare of commodity exporting countries if the cause of price instability was shifts in demand. But revenue and welfare of such exporters would be in-creased by price stabilization if

Their analysis showed, how-ever, that stable prices are more conducive to global welfare than unstable prices. Price stabiliza-tion provides a net gain to producers and consumers together -that is, gainers can compen-sate losers and total net gains are always positive.

The empirical investigation by the two authors of the study suggested that, of 17 commodi-ties examined, the Third World exporters would definitely benefit from price stabilization for only two agricultural commodities—coffee and cocoa. They could possibly benefit from price stabilization for three other commodities—conton, into

All five commodities are, in fact, included in the list of 10 so-called "core" commodities for which the developing countries have been seeking agree-ment on price stabilization. Moreover, for all five commodi-ties the value of developing ties the value of developing countries' exports account for more than 70 per cent of the total world trade in these items (for cotton, this is the case for fibre, but nor yarn).

But a number of much wider arguments have been advanced in the case for the country of the case that the case for a number of much wider arguments have been advanced to the case of the ca

in favour of price stabilization than a simple calculation of Third World export revenues. As summarized in a recent report from the Commodities Research Unit, these include a possible moderation in the rate possible moderation in the rate of inflation, at least if it is assumed that a reduction in the rate of commodity price increases in a boom will lessen the pressure of cost-push infla-

tion in the long run. Some calculations

that the gains to real world would alone be several times a greater than the likely losses that might be associated with the Common Fund.

It is further argued that the world would benefit from the anti-cyclical operations of the Common Fund, which would tend to inject demand into the system at times of economic depression. Also, it is contended that price stabilization would yield gains in the form of greater production efficiency as well as providing gains from a reduction in the degree of uncertainty that Third World producers face.

Yet, all this leaves open the key question of whether the very process of the earth's nations would gain or lose from

price stabilization.

This again depends crucially on which commodities are stabil-

According to Commonwealth Secretariat estimates, the developed nations and oil states import more than they export of the 10 "core" commodities under consideration. For most experies of developing country categories of developing country the position is reversed.

For the two dozen least developed countries these 10 commodities account for only 6 per cent of their imports and 44.3 per cent of their exports. Those that have least to gain would appear to be the fast-growing Third World exporters of manu-

mics of the Common Fund can probably only be satisfactorily tested in the market place.

Melvyn Westlake

Importance of the 10 "core" commodities in the total trade of rich and poor countries, by income category*

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Excluding centrally planned economies, Source: Commonwealth

Sainsbury's further progress

Interim Results

for the 28 weeks to September 17th 1977

	Inter	Interim Results		
	1977 £000	1976 £000	1976 77 £000	
Turnover -includes VAT £6.655m (1976 £5.259m)	406,180	326,194	663,776	
Profit before Taxation		•		
Retailing — net margin 3.0% (1976 3.2	%) 12,121	10,348	25,303	
Associated Companies Share of Prof	it 338	352	<i>879</i>	
	12,459	10,700	26,182	
Taxation at 52% (1976 52%)	6,479	5,564	13,687	
Profit after Taxation	5,980	5,136	12,495	

Coghill says that the scale

Which would you say was the most profitable foreign owned most profitable foreign-owned of foreign activity in Britain company operating in this is underestimated, not least by country? Esso? Ford? IBM? the Treasury. He points out that If you said any of these, you its measurement of money sup-would be wrong, wrong, wrong, ply (M3) takes in only 300 The answer, according to Roger Coahill, who helped compile the latest publication from Jordan Dataquest, a survey of foreign-owned companies in Britain*, is Tampax, the American-owned maker of menstrual

Pre-tax profits in 1975, Cog-hill reports, were 42,34 per cent of sales, good enough by any measure—except Tampax's, in that this marked a fall-off from the 1974 figure of 49.48

The top 20 of lordan's survey of 1,000 foreign-owned companies, a new publication that may become an annual event, shows that they export 18.2 per cent of turnover, more than twice as much as British public, and three times as much as Eritish private companies.

These top 20 bay far better than United Kingdom companies, an average of £3,177, against \$2,500 for British quoted and £2,202 for British private concerns. But far from ing the Eritish economy", as Coghill purs it, foreign firms, according to their accounts, are substantially less profitable than Ericish companies. The average margin is 3.55 per cent, com-pared with 7.47 per cent in United Kingdom public and 4.79 per cent in United Kingdom private firms.

We say "according to their accounts" because some profits are made on sales from the parent company to subsidiaries do not appear in the

foreign companies, omitting many millions of pounds in sales and currency movements. *Britain's Top 1,000 Foreign-owned Companies, 1976, Jordan Dataquest, £12. Available only from the publishers at Jordan House, Brunswick Place, London

Business Diary: Foreign legion •

John Marschalko is in London this week to talk to the travel trade and to launch his new gurdebook, Moscow for the Business Traveller.

Marschalko is American Express's man in the Russian capital and the only full-blown foreign travel agent permitted to coexist with what he calls "mnipresent monopoly"



Express's Marschalke: tips to traveller in the USSR.

Intourist. He has been in Moscow two and a half years, but his com-pany has been there since 1958, having got a foot in the door at the time of a cultural agreement between the United States and the U.S.S.R. under which the Russians wanted an Intourist office in Washington badly enough to let American Express into Moscow.

Marschalko—an citizen born in Hungary—told Business Diary's Ross Davies that there was an "enormous" shortage of international class hotel bedrooms in the Russian

Night after night, he said, visiting businessmen found themselves without a room, though night after night 15 per cent of Moscow rooms might also be empty. The fault was as much the inefficient distribution system as room shortage. It takes at least one and a half hours to be served lunch and as much as two and a half for dinner, he said. The most popular runch venue for exporters was now the self-service restaurant at-where else?-

the Intourist hotel. Marschalko's guide makes it clear that at least one capitalist custom has travelled wellripping "Bell boys, waiters, floor and wardrobe attendants and taxi drivers", he writes, "... expect and accept tips in

Much of the success that Leyland's commoversial new ingham security company. They Mini will, or will not, have is have a seven-year-old son and in the hands of a 38-year-old a five-year-old daughter who are mother of two. As marketing manager (small cars), Mrs.

Lindsay Campbell has the job of selling a car which some say will be three years behind the competition when it appears

Welcome to Moscow

competition when it appears late in 1979.

Mrs Campbell, an applied chemistry graduate of Glasgow University, exchanged the rigid disciplines of science for what she describes as "the flair of marketing". After spells with Unilever and Beccham she became convenience fonds were became convenience foods_probecame convenience roots product manager for Cadbury Schweppes, where she helped to launch Smash, the instant mashed potato, as well as Marvel dried milk and their drinking choolers.

ing chocolate.

Mrs Campbell joined Leyland
Cars in March, but is still little
known outside the Redditch
headquarters of the sales and marketing division.

Business Diary asked to be told a little about her plans for the new Mini. "I think you will have to wait and see", she said. "Although we are elected walking on it a let

aiready working on it, a lot can happen between now and the launch date, which could change our approach." But she was quick to point out that as a woman she had an advantage: "Fifty per cent of the main drivers of Minis are women. They also account for 41 per cent of the small car sector as a whole and 20 per

cent of the total car market.

"They also play a significant role in influencing the choice of larger cars bought by their Her own husband, Tony, is an electrical engineer with a Birmtaken to school in, what else?, the family Mini.

Done of the two remaining members of the Heinz family on the board of the company that bears their name (there never were 57) has received a rare distinction—he has been received an honorary VEE. The created an honorary KBE. The British Heinz company said that Henry J. Heinz II, chairman of the parent company in America and of its British arm, had been given the honour in Washington. ton.

It is awarded to foreigners

distinguished by their contribu-tions to British life and Heinz was invested with it by Peter. Jay, the British Ambassador. Mr Heinz, who is 69, in the grandson of Henry J. Heinz I, the company's founder. The younger Henry was marked down for a career in

the company at an early age and was sent to Britain by his grandfather more than 50 years ago. He spent three years in the company's factory at Harles-den in North London and then worked as a salesman in this country before doing postgradu-ate studies at Trinity College, Cambridge, in the 1930s.

He was created an honorary KBE—although, as he is an American citizen, he will not be styling honself "Sir"—for making a significant contribution to the furtherance of tion to the furtherance of British American relationships ". That beld phrase conceals a host of contributions by Heinz to British museums and art gal-

"How" a Northern Ireland stores chain executive was chaffed at a London dinner the other night, "are you making a profit now that none of your stores is being blown up?"

Salient Points

1. The increase in turnover of 24.5% represents a further significant gain in the Company's volume of sales and was achieved in a period when volume through grocery outlets nationally was down by approximately 4%.

2. Our market share of total sales through grocery outlets (based on Department of Industry published figures) increased from 7.3% in the previous year's first half to 7.9%. We continued to show market share increases in the second quarter against the corresponding period last year despite an unofficial industrial dispute which affected trade and profits materially during June, and major new competitive developments at that time.

3. While it is gratifying in these circumstances to report a profit increase of 16.4% in the first half, currently the continuing decline in consumer purchasing power means that we do not anticipate a repetition of the unexpectedly buoyant turnover which we enjoyed in the second half of last year. It is also likely that in the current competitive climate margins will be under

4. Four new supermarkers opened during the period and three more will open in the second half. The major "new store" event will be the opening of the first SavaCentre hypermarket by the company jointly owned with British Home Stores, at Washington, County Durham on November 15th.

Interim Dividend

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 2.0328p per share (1976 I.82p per share) which, together with its associated tax credit, is equivalent to a gross dividend of 3.08p per share. As a result of the reduction of the rate of advance corporation tax an additional payment of 0.0549p per share will be made in respect of the balance of the final dividend for the financial year to March 5th 1977, declared at the Annual General Meeting on July 6th 1977. These dividends will be paid on January 27th 1978, to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members on December 30th 1977, other than to certain Directors and members of their families from whom notice of waiver of dividend has been received.

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Metals boosted by hopes of

Tokyo buying

All base metals were given a boost on the London Metal Exchange yesterday morning, under the leadership of copper and zinc, based on a suggestion that Japan could make advance purchases of those metals for storage in LME warehouses as a part of government plans to boost government plans to boost imports.
Industry sources in Tokyo com-

mented on reports circulating on the LME on Tuesday that the Japanese Government is seeking to buy 100,000 tonnes of copper and 80,000 tonnes of zinc. and 80,000 tonnes of zinc.

Officials at the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry said they were unable to comment on the London reports. Advance purchases of the kind described could be undertaken but they might require some modifications in Japanese foreign exchange control laws.

Metal industry leaders called in by the government to advise had toll them advance purchases through the LME would be one possibility, as would similar purchases through direct negotiations with producing countries, again for temporary storage outside Japan.

for temporary storage outside Japan.

The sources said that to their knowledge neither the industry leaders nor government officials went into detail on the amount Japan might be able to buy in this way.

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Recent Issues

Wall Street

New York, Nov 9.—The New York Stock Exchange closed mostly higher, with the Dow Jones industrial average up 2.16 points at R18 42.

mostly higher, whit the Dow Jones industrial average up 2.16 points at 818.43.

Volume totalled 21,330,000 shares, compared with 19,210,000 Tuesday.

The industrial average was down most of the session and off more than three points at its low, strugging with profit-taking as it did Tuesday when it slipped 0.17 of a point. In the two previous sessions it gained 14.59 points.

Coca-Cola Bottling of New York was heavily traded and the most active NYSE issue, gaining 1 to 10 on turnover of about 500,000 shares. The company said it does not know of any development to account for the activity in its stock. stock.
CBS, which raised its dividend to 60 cents a share from 50 cents, was ahead 1 at 50.

Cocoa closes 4.25c up

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Extracts from the Accounts presented at the 81st Annual General Meeting held in Manchester on 9th November, 1977

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Foreign Exchange

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Sterling weakened in moderately active trading yesterday and the dollar strengthened against other feeding currencies in afternoon trading. other leading currencies in afternoon trading.

On a trade-weighted basis.
sterling's index against the
currency basket progressively
eroded opening gains to close only
marginally higher on Tuesday at
63.6.
Sterling closed at \$1.8090, down
from \$1.8207-17 at midsession and
\$1.8183-93 at the opening.
Reports that Yorkshire power
workers leaders recommended an
immediate all-out strike over a
pay dispute also weakened
sterling.
Gold gained \$2 an ounce to
close in London at \$187.875.

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Discount market In a day of low-key activity, against the backdrop of flat clearing bank positions, discount houses were able to take money quite cheaply yesterday once again to finance the small books they are currently running. In the afternoon, as a slight surplus emerged, the Bank of England mopped up on a small scale by selling short-dated Treasury bills directly to two or three houses.

Lenders tried for rates in the 5, per cent or 3½ per cent area at the outset, but houses sensed that it was likely to be a comfortable session, so most were able to stand back and start taking on funds at 3½ per cent. After the Bonk's action, however, a slightly harder tendency was creeping in right at the linish, so that closing balances were taken anywhere over a band of 2 per cent to 3½ per cent.

Rates Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 3/iLast changed 14,70771
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Money Market

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MERIES AND DIVISITE

EMI chief says that US decline only a moment of market pause

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electronics business is unlikely to show a greater volume in the current financial year than in 1976/77, Sir John Read, chair-man, says in his statement in

The main problem is the decline in business in North America, the most important market, without a sufficiently strong growth in other markets

to compensate.

Sir John comments that this is "a moment of market pause, allowing for essential consolidation. consolidation, before an upturn in North America takes place together with continuing growth in other international markets ". The group bolds half the world market for brain and body scamers (computerized cumulative orders have exceeded 850. Some 700 have already been delivered, with North America taking over 460

However, last year the United States Government stepped up measures to regulate expendi-ture on capital equipment by



Sir John Read, chairman. medical institutions, the chairman writes, thus leading to a marked decline in the rate of new orders being placed for

EMI, which is concentrating heavily on expanding its medi-cal electronics side, has a medical research and develop-

prospects, the chairman considers that with the world economic tempo far from busyant, EMI's performance is bound to commune to be affected. Last year the group increased pre-tex profits to £64.7m from £59.4m.

to match last year's aithough a satisfactory result for the full year is still expected. Last year the ruguaking kits, knitting wool and floor coverings group, ated during the year with the level of borrowings to share-holders' funds nising from 60 per cent to 91 per cent. This reflicted a sharp increase in reported a 29 per cent rise in pre-tax, profits to a record £7.22m. This compares with £5.5m for the previous year. loans and boarow

The debr/equity ratio would have exceeded 1:1 but for the acquisition of Development Securities, an investment com-pany, which injected £24.1m in cash into the group.

turniover has leant from £36m to £42m with externed seles accounting for £32m against Last year the proportionate Last year the proportionate profits contributions from the various divisions of EMI were little changed on the previous year with music continuing to dominate profits with 43 per cent, while electronics, radio and television equipment slipped back 4 per cent to 36 per cent. Of the divisions within the group retail, textiles, yarns and other interests all performed other mixeress an personness satisfactorily, producing greater profits than last year. A significantly higher contribution was made by other interests reflecting the communing transound

The carpets and overses divisions however both earned

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In the current climate of un-

certainty the board of Readicut

does not expect the second half

For the six months to Sep-

rember 30, the group shows a slight rise in pre-tax profits from £2.1m to £2.4m white

Readicut

The process of slow economic recovery in the United Kingdom continues in an atmosphere of financial buoyancy, while the underlying outlook for the economy remains far from secure with unrest in many industries. Troubles in the monor industry have already held back the group's sales to that market for the six months under review.

Second half | Staveley gets more from less but dealers are disappointed

By Bryan Appleyard

Staveley Industries has once again managed to squeeze higher profits out of lower volumes, but its results for the year to October 1 were below mbst market hopes.

Pretax profits were £9.1m against £6.8m the year before on turnover up from £103.8m to £120.2m. Staveley is in the process of changing its year end to April 1 so the results are still classed as interims.

The group acquired George Salter for £4.1m in January so stripping out its £10m turnover contribution leaves an increase in sales for the parent company of just 6 per cent. This indi-cares a substantial volume fall.

Some construction groups

have tried to keep going during

the building slump in the United Kingdom by seeking building work overseas the directors of Waher Lawrence say the risks are high. Lawrence is staying at home.

Mr B. J. Pritchard, chairman

Mr B. J. Pritchard, chairman, says in his annual statement, that the group is fortunate in having a management whose knowledge and experience is not confined to the construction industry. The group hopes that during periods of recession it will be possible to take early advantage of an investing in the

advantage of an upswing in the economy when it occurs. The past two years have not

W. Lawrence

stays at home

Dr Adolf Frankel, managhope of any pickup in volume over the next six months. But he believes that higher profits can still be made from existing resources through greater effi-

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Continuing investment, now running at about £7m annually, means high capacity modern plant that in some cases is less than 50 per cent in use.

Market conditions generally were worse than expected and the lime division traded at a loss. British Salt, however, improved substantially, and foundries and abrasives continued to grow, though more slowly than placed. Electrical and dividends of 19.8 mechanical services held their eighteenth months.

An expensive reorganization

at Futura Holdings, the

facturer and distributor, has

pushed the group into losses,

Turnover rose a quarter to £1.87m, but a pre-tax profit of

£40,000 gave way to a loss of £22,000 in the 27 weeks to July 9. However, shareholders still collect an unchanged interim dividend of 1.6p gross.

Development and organiza-tion of the leisure footwear production sections has been

costly. However, other sections did better and, with the expected benefits from the leisure footwear sections, im-

Interim loss at Futura,

but recovery expected

own but conditions in North America continue to be "very difficult."

Financially no substantial crease in gearing is expected to finance working capital and investment.

Looking further shead Dr Frankel said that he was pessi-mistic about the world economy. But he still expected Staveley to be able to make "quite a respectable growth of profits".

The shares fell 6p to 235p yesterday. The price earnings ratio is 8 and the gross yield 5.4 per cent on the basis of the two interim dividends totalling 12.8p The board forecast total dividends of 19.8p for the

the rest of the year.

Provided there is no further
Government legislation aimed

at industry, the board says, and wage claims and other costs can be held within the White-hall guidelines, a further rise

hall guidelines, a further rise in turnover is likely. But pretax profits may fall a bit from 1976's £177,000 on a turnover of £4.13m.

For the half-year, there was a group loss of £11,000, after a tax adjustment of £12,000.

This compares with a profit last year of £19,000 after a tax

last year of £19,000, after a tax charge of £21,000. Earnings per share are given as nil, against 2.3p last year

payout A better performance by the manufacturing and services subsidiaries of Tyneside engineering group Richardsons, Westgarth propelled pre-tax profits from £658,000 to £975,000 in the first six months of this year. Turnover slipped from £20.3m

to £19.4m. Stripping out the previous figures from marine engine building offshoot George Clark & NEM, vested in British Ship-builders on July 1, profits show

R. Westgarth

still in dark

about state

a 52 per cent rise, on turnover up from £15m. In the period under review the contribution from this com-pany has been restricted to a £178,000 dividend, under the

provisions of the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Act. Mr Archibald Boyd, chairman, reports that, as yet, there has been no indication from the Government of the amount of compensation.

The directors are forecasting second half profits at a similar level to the first six months, which could see the group audging the 22m pre-tax for the year. Results, then, will reflect both the departure of George Clark & NEM and the difficult trading conditions affecting shiprepairing and steel tockholding

Earlier this week another North East group, Swan Hunzer, announced its plans for post-shipbuilding nationalization re-

J. Crowther races out of the red

After two years of losses, the Ruddersfield-based John Crow-ther Group is turning the corner. In the first half of this year, it more than doubled its trading profit from £72,000 to £191,000. Turnover went up

hank interest were heavier, Crowther produced a pre-tax Profit of £24,000, against a loss last time of £64,000. While saybeen gratifying, the board reports that current conditions have been influenced by the

autumn

The group makes cloths from wool and synthetic fibres, and supplies processed synthetic Tibres to other manufacturers.

Diversification, particularly into products the group has not previously developed, is encountered.

Percy Lane set to top £1m for the first time

It looks as if Percy Lane, the maker of aluminium windows for caravans and disposal chute systems, should top the million pound mark for the first time. Europe's leading maker of the market by the group's for caravan windows. systems, should top the million pound mark for the first time. This implies a rise in pre-nax profits of 15 to 20 per cent in the year to December 31. This is better than seemed f191,000. Turnover went up likely at one time. There was from £2.19m to £2.75m.

Although depreciation and Mr Peter Lane, chearman, on Mr Perer Lane, cheirman, on the outlook for the remainder of the year about overstocking of caravans in both the United Kingdom and on the Continent. He feared a reduction in

Ar present the group is launching a range of acrylic caravan windows which fully meets the proposed United Kingdom requirements in safety glazing for caravans and is eing introduced to the caravan industry at the Caravan Camp-ing Holiday Show.

Formed from cast and ex-truded acrylic sheet the range

Para Press has been making acrylic caravan windows to the exacting demands of commental caravan makers since 1973 and earlier this year completed a £600,000 expansion programme at its factory in Bertembourg to handle the additional capacity of the new acrylic range.

The group also plans to un-veil a new insect proof louvred ventilator panel developed in this country at its Hardall sub-sichary in Luton for use mainly in the Middle East.

At present the group is un-concerned with the rise in value of sterling. Last year its Luxembourg subsidiary contribuned 80 per cent to group

Blue Bell jeans wrangle to go on

Blue Bell, the manufacturer of Wrangler jeans, has issued a statement regarding its law suit with Levi Strauss, in America.

"A Federal District Judge miled in San Francisco on November 3 that Blue Bell's proposed use of a free floating label on the right rear patch nocket of leans, would infringe Levi Stauss and the company's trade mark rights.

This ruling has had no Carter Hawley deal adverse effect on Blue Bell's rales, profits or financial posi-tion because no garments bear-ing the narticular free floating coel have ever been sold or manufactured for sale by Blue

"It is emphasized that this ruling relates to the United States only and has no effect on any existing or planned production by Wrangler outside America. In no way does this Wrongler trade mark which has been and will continue to be a trademark of quality Blue Bell

The suit by Levi Strauss was started more than seven years acc. It alleged that Blue Bell violated their rights by using a free-floating label on an inset

porket of slecks.

Blue Bell has been vindi-tied in its position that a free-frequent label showing its trade Chang label showing its trade mark on a rear inset pocket is not an infringement of any rights of Lovi Strauss.

"However, the court ruled that Lovi Strauss does have trade mark rights in a free-floating label, limited to the tight rear patch pocket. Blue light disagrees with this portion of the decision and will be appealing."

Autopista-Kuwait bond Amopista Vasco-Aragonesa, concessionaria Espanola has been priced at par bearing 8.75 core cent annually, the syndicate manager, Kuwait Investment Co, says. Guaranteed by the Spanish Government, the

International

notes give the holder an option of either redeeming at par in 1983 or keeping the notes until maturity. The offering was co-managed by Merrill Lynch International.

Carter Hawley Hale Stores, of Los Angeles, says it has completed the previously announced sale of its 19.4 per cent interest in House of Fraser to London for London for the Carte Carte (cheer 648 m) about \$78.8m (about £46.3m).
The original proposed sale price announced in September, was \$76m. But Carter Hawley was 576m. But Carter Hawley said the value of the transaction increased because the pound had risen in price since then. The company sold its interest in the House of Fraser for 574.4m One third of this amount has been paid in cash and the balance will be paid in three instalments over an 18-month period.

Ensign gets new bid

Ensign Holdings of Australia says it has recommended accep-tance by shareholders of an increased offer of \$A1.50 per Ensign share from Bradmill Industries and will accept in respect of all shares held or respect of all shares held or controlled by the board. A joint statement by Ensign and Brad-mill says that Bradmill pro-posed to increase its bid from its previous offer of \$A1.25 per share conditional upon accep-tance by shareholders holding at least 90 per cent of Ensign's

Carborundum offer

Eaton Corporation of Cleve-land says it plans to make an offer to purchase any and all outstanding common shares of

will be required before it actually makes the offer for Carborundum comments

Toyota-Nissan charge A Japanese consumer group has alleged that about 600,000 Toyota motor cars and about 400,000 Nissan models had defects and called on the Transport Ministry to take action to have the firms recall them. The charge was made by the Japan Automobile Users' Union. According to the union, the 600,000 defective Toyota vehicles included Corona Mark II and Carina cars mounted with 18RU (2,000 cc) and 16RU (1,800 cc) engines that meet the 1975

GEC in Mexican bid

An Anglo-French consortium led by General Electric has led by General Electric has made outline presentations in a tender for the first stage of a new suburban railway system for Mexico City, a GEC spokesman says. The French partners are Franco-Belge de Materiel de Chemins de Fer and Société ANF-Industrie. GEC would audertike transformer esgal.

ling, telecommunications and switchgear work. The French companies would provide the rolling stock. The contract is worth about £450m.

Associated Securities

Associated Securities of Australia says it will issue four million 9.5 per cent cumulative redeemable preference shares to its major shareholder, Ansett Transport Industries, and not to all shareholders as originally intended. Listing of the shares will not therefore be shares will not, therefore, be sought, it said in a letter to the Sydney Stock Exchange. It gave no further details. Ansett holds 48.44 per cent of ASL's issued ordinary share capital.

emission control requirements. The group claimed that these cars had defective exhaust gas cleaning equipment and were therefore a fire hazard. Toyota has denied that its cars were defective.

Aeroservices offshoot sold by Winn

Another sale has been made by Wina Industries, which sold : international container business for £625,000 earlier this tear. Now it has sold its Aero-cruices Engineering offshoot to Crowarisht. The price was £74,000, parable as to £19,000 cash on completion, £5,000 cash on December 31 and the balance in £2 could monthly installated. since in 12 equal monthly instalments, starting on January 31. The deferred sum attracts inthree at the rate of 2! per cent whose Barclays base rate. At completion, £60,000 due to be parent had been repaid by

in 1976 Aeroservices made a right of \$10,000, but in the first no months of this year suffered a loss of £16,000. Winn covers engineering. healding and property.

Next year to show improved roughts, although consolidation, development and integration are based's first priority.

ALLIED PLANT Board is reconstructing group's

MARTONAIR INT ning in pre-tax prairies for year to Jule 31 from £2.13m to him compares with forecast of that least £5m made in May.

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BOARD SAYS future remains uncertain. After adding a temporary
employment subsidy from Government of £57,000, pre-tax profit is
£23,500 for half year to October
31 against £64,000. CATER RYDER

Board says group made a "sub-stantial" profit for six mounts to end-October. BABCOCK & WILCOX
For SA2.5m, group has bought
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ZETTERS GROUP Mr Paul Zetter, chairman, told amual meeting that season is going well and turnover is up to

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MOUNTVIEW ESTATES Board says profits running at about same level as last year so results for current year should be "no less favourable " for full

CLIVE INVESTMENTS Group has formed a new co. in Jersey, to provide specialist fixed interest fund management in stering securities for either Channel Islands or other non-United Kingdom resident investors.

TRAFFORD PARK ESTATES Mr Neil Westbrook, chairman, teld the annual meeting that profits for 1978 will be more than the record level of £804,000 achieved in past year. "The world scene is far from buoyant...this is bound to continue to affect performance in the current trading year...but the long-term outlook for EMI is one of sustained growth and higher profitability?777

Sir John Read, Chairman of the EMI Group

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Many, perhaps most, firstine buyers begin low down the price range and this in general means going for older homes often in need of repair if not complete removation. They need all the help they can get, and the outlook at the moment is good and getting better.

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Mr Bradley is the general manager (market planning) of the Nationwide Building Society. The Nationwide Building Society. The Nationwide Building Society. The Nationwide Building thing to help the first-time buyers. He was able to give me an luptodate picture, a snap-

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from a building society.

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Lastly, there was the passage in the Queen's Speach buts Thursday which point to a Bill later this session offering first-time buyers a deferred-interest loan of £500 and possibly a bonus first call on a sum equivalent.

Were the borrower unable of unwilling to keep up the mortgage repayments, the poor condition, the condition was something that could be changed whereas the others were constants.

The Nationwide, he said.

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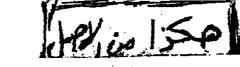
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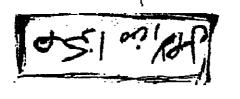
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Road test: Citroen

special to drive that passengers might not be so enthusiastic.

The all-round disc brakes are excellent, a mere touch giving a sure and progressive response, and the steering very precise, although a lirtle heavy and low geared for parking. The gear-box has a spring action and is, on the whole, pleasant to use but liable to be sticky first thing in the morning.

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The Citroen GS-still a leader in its field.

Many suggestions to improve traffic sidering the size of the e ngine, the work of its Accident Prevention it which was set up six years ago to it which was set up six years ago to it with the capital's "black spots".

The rationale behind the unit is that per cent of accidents in the Metro-that, in six years of operation, the official Police District happen on only cers of the unit have covered 1,152. per cent of the 8,787 miles of road locations and warned or advised 1,215,401 motorists and pedestrians. In some cases, the black cases for proceedings, issued 25,537 can be remedied by road improve—fixed penalty tickets, removed 1,040

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The Citroen GS is such an outstandare important, over the following ing car that I never feel I need an ar there has been an average reduction of nearly a quarter in the number come I have one. The smaller of the accidents at these locations.

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Partly because the engine is one of the car, accidents occurring in relation to evolume of traffic.

This helps to put the problem into respective. Hyde Park Corner, for stance, has an annual injury accident rate of 50 to 60. Bearing in mind c millions of vehicles which use it, wever, the risk may not be as great at a smaller junction with 10 accidents a vear. (The unit does not errue at sites with fewer than eight cidents a year.)

The work of the unit goes beyond licing a black spot and speaking to ad users. It also studies the site and, here relevant, makes suggestions for proving road signs, the phasing of the junction or section of road.

The improvement in flexibility and acceleration is only marginal but, con-

The engine, an air-cooled flat-four cylinder unit, gives the feeling that it will run for ever. It does sound busy at times and low gearing gives about 4,000 rpm at 70 mph in top; but it is never harsh and the worst that happens is a loud hum.

The GS set new standards for a light car when it was launched in 1970 and

I would say that no one has yet caught up. The outstanding feature is the hydropneumatic suspension system which not only soaks up the bumps as if they did not exist but adjusts automatically to the load carrier. Twoically soft French seats enhance the feeling

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"We shall be examining the efficiency of British Rail's passenger services and why the last January, commuters in the increases are weighted against south-east paying up to 16 per commuters. As a result we cent. may recommend that, this should not happen in the future", the commission said.

No fare will rise by more than a fifth as a result of the commission": intervention. Fares on some Inter-city routes where services bave improved such as those where high speed trains are used, will go up by more then 141 per cent.

the incomes policy from next spring. The last fare increase was an average of 12½ per cent

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However, the Price Commission and productivity improvements and productivi commuter fares, notably in the claiming substantially more period of years in which to South-east, and said it would than the 10 per cent recom- adjust to the rises.

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higher subsidies, which seems unlikely, it will always be tempred to look first to the commuters in the south-east for higher, fares, because they are the nearest it has to captive customers.

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A helmet worn by Baron Manfred von Richthofen, in the First World War, was presented to the RAF mu seum at Hendon yesterday. Air Commodore Ferdinand ("Freddie") West, VC (left) received it from the present baron before a new portrait of the "Red Baron" by Henry

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Mrs Thatcher would call for resignation

There are some, well at least two, who are still very acid about the whole thing, but there is not the concerted, organized opposition there was last ses-

It is not easy to judge whether the confidence of the Labour whips is justified in the absence of the imposition of the confidence issue. Mr Callaghan's friends believe the Prime Minister said it all in his party conference admonition at Brighton when he emphasized that the Cabinet would expect the Bills to be fully supported by members of the Parliamentary Labour Party.

calling for a separate referen-dum for the Shetland Islands, originally tabled by Mr Leo Abse, Labour MP for Ponty-pool. It is precisely because that phrasing dodges the issue of the Government's survival that some of the Labour rebels Mr Abse crossed sworns with Mr Foot yesterday. He asked why Mr Foot was alraid of more debate and suggested that he was "tatally failing in his duty as Leader of the House". When the Speaker ruled that cowardice was not proper, Mr Abse withdrew, after substituting "pusillanimity". believe they can get away with voting against the Government without bringing the Govern-ment down and without dis-cipline for themselves.

Mrs Thatcher believes like-vise. Site holds Mr Callaghan not to be the resigning kind. Although site would call for his Although site would can for ans resignation if he lost a key vote next week, she will not follow it up with a no-confidence motion because she believes, doubtless rightly, that it would again fail.

A number of amendments have been tabed to the Scotland The Conservative Front Bench opposes the second read-ing, and calls instead for a con-

NUT denies change in Burnham

sider Scottish aspects and im-plications for the rest of the kingdom. The National Union of The National Union of Teachers denied yesterday that, its representation on the Burnham committee was being reconsidered by Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

On Wednesday Mr Terence Mr Michael English, Labour MP for Nottingham, West, has tabled an instruction for the committee stage that the Bill be extended to England "for the purposes of creating an elected assembly in each economic planning region". If the guillotine motion should be defeated Mr English's instruction

Casey, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmosters/Union of Women Teachers, said he was complaining about the NUT's over all majority on the committee. He said the NUT had 16 seats

and the seven other reacher organizations had 12.

Mr. Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the NUT, said yes-terday that Mrs Williams had told the union that she had not asked the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service to examine the representation of the different teacher organiza

the different teacher organizations on Burnham.

Mr Casey had claimed a union membership of 100,000.

Mr Jarvis said an independent survey carried out by the Schools Council for 1976 showed that the in-service reacher membership for England and Wales of the NAS!

UWT was 80,000 and that for the NUT was 229,900.

Mr Jarvis accused Mr Casey of making irresponsible and unfounded statements. "He shows all the frenzy of someone who realizes he is miles belind in the membership

threaten us" with the Lords. behind in the membership Parliamentary report, page 6

Kitson warning 'nonsensical'

A warning by Mr Alex governments Kitson, a member of the Labour Party's national executive, broadcast by Moscow Radio, that a return of a Conservative government under Mrs government that a return of a Conservative government under Mrs Thatcher would restart the cold war was described by Mr John Davies, the Conservative foreign affairs spokesman, as "non-sensical" last night.

Mr Kitson has been criticized for other remarks he made in a speech during last week's celebrations in the Soviet Union to mark the sixtieth anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution.

According to a BBC transcript, Mr Kitson, a national officer of the Transport and General Workers Union, interviewed on Moscow Radio on November 5, said it would be up to the trade union move-ment and the British Labour

He added: "I have fears, ne added: I have rears, actually, for Anglo-Soviet rela-tionships if we return to a Tory government in Great Britain. I do not fear for a development of peaceful coexistence under a Socialist government in Britain, or a Lebour government in Britain. "Bot I do fear, and I am

being quite frank and brutal about this that if we have the return of a Yory government in Britain and Margaret Thatcher as the text Prime Minister of our country, I can see a return to 1948. I can see a return to the cold wer."

Mr Davies said: "It is about as nonsensical as his other remarks in Russia. Margaret Thatcher and I have made it clear that, while having a good deal of criticism to offer about movement to ensure peaceful deal of criticism to offer about coexistence established in the the major arms build-up of the last 12 years between Labour Soviet Union and the problems

governments and the Soviet we face as a result, our purpose would be to seak to have a dis-logue with them and work as far as we can towards rational living arrangements with them. Mr Kitson also told the Soviet radio audience that what had happened in the Soviet Union had had its impact, a serious impact, on the British working people, "and I would say to their advantage."

MPs' advice: Mr Kinson is advised to go to live in Russia by a group of Conservative MPs and Mr Andrew Faulds, Labour MP for Warley, East, in a Commons early-lay motion.

The motion expresses the House's "entire approval of any arrangements which may be possible to enable Mr Kitson to reside permanently in the country of his preference in

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his head was turned, his judg-ment was noor. Because he was flattered, he behaved in a Mr. Hunger, who works with ment was not. Because he was 10 assistants and has 30,000 flattered, he behaved in a patients at his surgery in Summerlands Avenue, Acton, Loning at times on carelessness."

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> Ted Ray inquest An inquest into the death of

'No rush of Life on the doctors' road with all mod cons to Europe By Robin Young Consumer Affairs Correspondent

There has been no rush of doctors from Britsin to the rest of Europe with the introduction of free movement of doctors within the EEC earlier this Earls Court, London, has been transformed for the next 10 days into a fair simulation of some people's idea of Ghastleigh-by-the-Sea. It is the Caravan Camping Holiday Show, and more than 400,000 sq ft of exhibition space is closely covered with caravans, mobile homes more caravans trailers year, figures released by the General Medical Council yester-

day suggest.

More than a rhousand doctors have made inquiries about the specialist certificate needed to practise in most EEC countries. the council's figures show. Only 275 doctors applied for the £25 certificates up to October 1, and only 219 of them have so

of the spulicants, 77 were specialists in annesthetics and radiology, areas where Britain is short of consultants and the state of consultants. where there is much domand in Europe.

shortage of manpower to care for the old and the elderly mentally infirm in hospitals and in the community remains a hig difficulty. Dr Ekaned Woodford-Williams, director of the Realth Advisory Service, says in the annual report, published today (our Health Services Corresponand 95,000 mobile homes already in use.

The theme of this year's show is "the way to freedom", but; as Miss Judith Chalmers pointed out in opening the exhibition, life for caravanners is not all leisure. At times it resembles a hectic game of musical chairs, with increasing numbers of caravans competdent writes).
In a foreword to the

Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, and Mr Morris, Under-Secretary of State with responsibility for the disabled, say they are con-sidering ways of increasing recruitment. They include recruitment. They include encouragement for the appointment of doctors willing to undergo further training in the speciality and more encouragement for woman doctors to

train.
Annual Report of the Heulik Office, £1.75).

British system advocated for

European poll

Mr Geoffrey Rippon, leader of the Conservative delegation to the European Parliament, believes there are good "European" reasons for Britain retaining its "first-past-the-post" system for the first direct elections to that assembly.

In a foreword to a new Conservative Group for Europe pamphlet on the role of the Buropean Parliament, Mr lippon argues that the closer the ties that bind members to the people who elect them, the more effective Parliament will be.

Honoured for excellence

Mr Pym raised Labour back-les in suggesting that, whatever the Commons did, the "other place" might have "an awful lot of amendments" that the Commons might never debate.

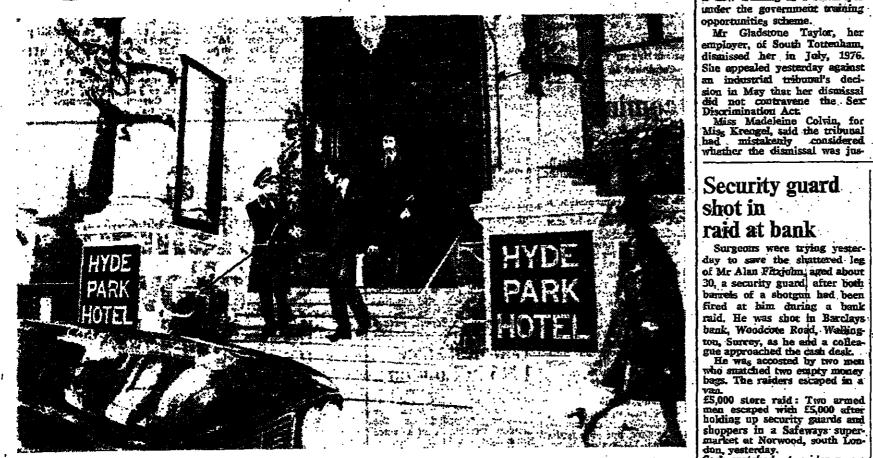
Ominously Mr Foot respon-

ded to Labour growls that he hoped Mr Pym was "not going to threaten us" with the Lords.

would be debated next.

There are now more than 50 signatories to the amendment

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Dismissed woman building labourer loses appeal By Annabel Ferriman

Miss Jamet Krengel, aged 24, who lost her lebouring job on a London building site for her appeal to an employment appeal tribunal yesterday. She is now training as a bricklayer under the government training

opportunities scheme. Mr Gladstone Taylor, her employer, of South Tottenham, ismissed her in July, 1976. She appealed yesterday against an industrial tribunal's decision in May that her dismissal did not contravene the Sex

Discrimination Act.

Miss Madeleine Colvin, for Miss Krengel, said the tribunal had mistakenly considered whether the dismissal was jus-

Surgeons were trying yesterof Mr Alan Fitzjohn, aged about

Security guard

raid at bank

'Mirror' back

Journalists at the Daily Mirror in London voted yesterday to allow the newspaper to be produced normally until

Monday, when further talks will be held with the management of Mirror Group Newspapers.

The journalists made their decision after learning that the

management was prepared to negodate the amount of pay deductions arising out of dis-ruption of the newspaper over a pay claim.

Mr David Coleman Mr David Coleman, the sports commentator, is to return to the BBC effer settlement of a

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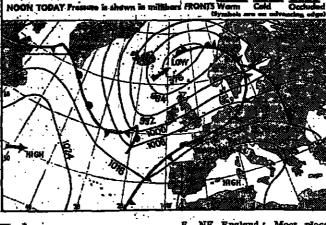
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ufied instead of whether a man would have been dis-

a London building site for Mr Justice Phillips upheld swearing at her employer, lost the tribunal's ruling that there was a difference between swearing in front of and at the employer. Miss Krengel was guilty of the latter. Miss Krengel, who lives in Stoke Newington, belongs to a group called Women in Construction, which is committed to increasing the number of women in the building in-dustry. The group after the hearing criticized both the tri-bunal and the Sex Discrimina-

ion Act. "The case illustrates clearly how the Act allows discrimination against women to continue as always", it said. Law Report, page 13 Weather forecast and recordings



van.

55,000 store raid: Two armed men escaped with 55,000 after holding up security guards and shoppers in a Safeways supermarket at Norwood, south London was treated as market at Norwood, south London, yesterday.
Cash snatched: A raider carrying a shotgun snatched £1,800 from a Securicor guard in Walthamstow last night. The gnard had collected the money from a council rares office. A shot was fired, but no one was furt. 4.17.pm New Moon: 7.9 am. Lighting up: 4.47 pm to 6.43 am Eigh water: London Bridge, 1.10 am, 7.6m (24.9ft); 1.28 pm, 7.6m (25.1ft); Avonmouth, 6.59 am, 13.6m (44.7ft); 7.16 pm, 13.8m (45.2ft); Dover, 10.31 am, 7m (23.8ft); 10.57 pm, 7m (22.8ft); Finll, 5.32 am, 7.6m (24.8ft); Finll, 5.32 am, 7.6m (24.8ft); 10.49 am, 9.7m (32ft); Liverpool, 10.49 am, 9.7m (32ft); 11.9 pm, 9.7m (32ft).

A fresh SW zirstream covers Britain, bringing showers to maky

London, East Angha, SE central S Eugiand, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Rain clearing, becoming bright: wind SW serong; max temp 14°C (57°F).

Outlook for the weekend; wany intervals and showers in soit parts, perhaps longer out-WEATHER REPORTS TESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair c, rm; c, sum; m. snow.

dry, sunny periods; wind S fresh; max temp 13°C (55°F).

W. Midlands, NW, Central N

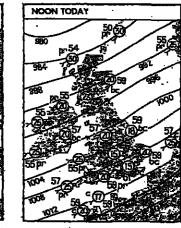
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Lake District, Isle of Man, NE,

NW, SW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, N Ireland: Heavy showers, prolonged in places, rather cloudy; wand SW strong; max temp 10°C (50°F).

evening; wind SW fresh or strong; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Orkney, Sheffand: Cloudy, rain at times; wind SW gales, max temp 8°C (46°F).



breaks of rain on Saturday; be-coming colder. Strast of Dover, English Channel, (E): Winds SW fresh or strong; sea rough or very rough, St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Winds SW strong to gale, locally severe; sea very rough, occasionally high.

Yesterday Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth: Masnly dry, sumny intervals, rain in evening; wind SW fresh or

Loadon: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 18°C (64°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am, 14°C (57°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 73 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 1,015.9 millibars, steady.

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